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Our Father, whose throne is in the heavens, thou art the Father of our spirits, the Father of mercies; to thee we lift up our hearts and say, Abba, Father. Give us grace, we beseech thee, to come to thee with the feelings and trust of children. Oh, may we all here present be the sons of God, born again, not of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.

We have sinned against heaven, and before thee, and we are no more worthy to be called thy children. We have not honoured and loved and served thee as we ought to have done. In our hearts and affections we have gone astray from thee. We have too often broken thy holy laws, and abused the precious privileges vouchsafed to us, and grieved and offended thee. O Father of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, and ours in him, forgive our manifold sins and offences through him who is our Advocate with thee. Spare us, O God, as one spareth his son that serveth him. Shed down from heaven the dew of thy great mercy upon us. This day let thine eye rest on us, and let our hearts thirst for thee. Destroy within us the spirit of bondage, which fears thee and flees from thee as an avenging Judge; and plant in our hearts the spirit of love, that we may look to thee as to a loving and a gracious Father. In this far country may we find and feel in thee a home; amidst vexing cares may we have in thee peace. God forbid that this world's profits, or pleasures, or troubles, or losses, should

withdraw our hearts from thee, or intrude on our communion with thee. May this day be more delightful to us than a thousand. May we enter thy courts with praise and thy gates with thanksgiving, and present ourselves before thee on this thy sabbath in the sanctuary, as erring and sinful, but returning and confiding children. Give to thy minister, who shall this day speak to us, the unction of the Holy One, faithfulness and boldness, speaking the truth in love. May our souls be refreshed, and our hearts impressed. May it be good for us to be in thy house. Feed us there with the finest of the wheat. We ask all these mercies in the name of Christ Jesus our Lord. May grace, and mercy, and peace from God the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, rest upon us all the day, and evermore. Amen.

Sabbath Evening.

Scripture Reading — Psalm lii.

Blessed, O Lord, we believe, are the people that know the joyful sound; they walk in the light of thy countenance all the day. In thy name, O Lord, they shall rejoice all the day, and in thy righteousness shall they be exalted. Thou art our God, and we will praise thee; thou art our God, and we will exalt thee. Glory, and honour, and praise, and blessing, and thanksgiving, and wisdom, and riches, and power, and might, be unto our God, and to the Lamb, for ever and ever. Thou hast blessed us with spiritual blessings; thou hast loved us with an everlasting love. We praise and thank thee for all the truths we have heard or read this day. We thank thee, blessed Lord, for thy holy word in our own tongue, open and accessible to all that will. We bless and thank thee that our ears have heard and our eyes have seen thy great salvation. We are unworthy of the least of all these thy blessings which thou hast showed to thy servants. We thank and praise thee for the house of prayer, for the preaching of the everlasting gospel, for our peaceful sabbaths, and for this

sabbath day now closing. Above all, we thy children praise and bless thee, O Father of mercies, that thou didst so love the world, that thou gavest thine only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth on him may not perish, but have eternal life. Thanks be to God for his unspeakable gift. We praise thee for his precious death and perfect sacrifice—for his resurrection from the dead—for his glorious ascension—for his ever living to make intercession for us, and for his promise to come again in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory. Fill our hearts with richer, deeper, and enduring gratitude. Lord, make us more thankful. May we express our gratitude, not only with our lips and from our hearts, but also in our lives. May we live as we feel, and feel deeper and live better day after day. Receiving so great mercies, may we rejoice to spread the knowledge of them among those who are ignorant of them. Make these thy ways known upon the earth, and thy saving health among all nations. May our sabbaths, and sanctuaries, and Bibles, and glorious Saviour, be enjoyed in heathen, Mahometan, and papal lands. Give thy Son the heathen for his inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for his possession. Lord, write thy word upon our hearts; sow in our souls the living and incorruptible seed. Imprint in our hearts, deep and indelible for ever, thy blessed gospel, thy glorious promises, thy precious word. Hide thy truth in our hearts, that we may not sin against thee. Incline our hearts to thy testimonies, and not to covetousness. Increase the number of faithful preachers. Send forth into thy vineyard labourers that will not be ashamed — men rightly dividing the word of truth, apt to teach, full of faith and love, anointed by thy Holy Spirit, who shall turn many to righteousness, and shine as the stars for ever and ever. Pour down thy Holy Spirit on this land, on the congregation in which we worship, on thy servant the minister of it, and increase in the midst of us true religion. Whatever thy holy eye has seen in our thoughts or actions displeasing to thee, graciously forgive, through Him in whom we have redemption, even the forgiveness of sin. Whatever we have left undone which we

ought to have done, or whatever we have done that we ought not to have done, pardon and put away, for Christ's sake. Amen.

Monday Morning.

Scripture Reading—1 Samuel xxiii. 1–15.

Teach us, O God, to enter into our closets, and shut the door, and pray to our Father who seeth and heareth in secret. Teach us to gather round the family altar, and daily to call on thy name. Teach us to pray for all men, especially for all in authority, that we may lead quiet and peaceable lives. Grant us, for thy dear Son's sake, filial, catholic, missionary feeling, an obedient, dependent, and forgiving spirit, without care, and yet watchful; praying without ceasing, and rendering, in soul, body, and spirit, adoration, thanksgiving, and glory, and praise, to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, our God and the God of our fathers. May the Spirit pray within us. May the Saviour pray for us. Let the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts be acceptable in thy sight, O God, our strength and our Redeemer. Teach us also to praise thee as our Creator, Preserver, and our Redeemer. Bless the Lord, O our soul, and all that is within us be stirred up to magnify and bless his holy name. Thou, O Lord, pardonest our sins, and healest our diseases, and satisfiest our mouths with good things. Thou renewest our youth like the eagle's. Thou crownest us with loving-kindness and tender mercies. Like as a father pitieth his children, so doth the Lord pity them that fear him. As far as the east is from the west, so far hath he removed our transgression from us. We bless thee for thine inestimable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. We bless and praise thee for his resurrection and intercession, and his promise to come again. We bless thee for the Bible in our

own tongue, for the gospel so faithfully and extensively proclaimed, for sacraments, and ordinances, and hopes, and faith, and joy, and peace; for all these we praise, and bless, and glorify thee. In our lives may we praise thee, with alms and spiritual sacrifices, and love and liberality, may we praise thee; to eternity, and in a new song, may we praise thee. Pardon through the intercession of our blessed Saviour our unthankfulness, our sins, our shortcomings. Forgive our enemies, and help us from the heart to forgive them. Be the friend of our friends, the husband of the widow, the orphan's father, and the widow's shield. Hear us and help us, O Lord. Grant us our requests, as may be most expedient for us, for thy dear Son's sake. Amen.

Monday Evening.

Scripture Reading—Acts xxiv. 1–23.

It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord, and to sing praises unto thy name, O thou Most High; to show forth thy loving-kindness in the morning, and thy faithfulness every night. We will extol thee, O God, our King; we will bless thy name for ever and ever. This day our eyes have waited on thee, and thou hast given us our meat in due season; thou hast opened thy hand, and hast satisfied our wants. We praise thee for the blessings of the earth, and the fulness thereof; for life, and air, and light, and health, and all our temporal blessings, forfeited by sin, and restored by grace, we praise thee, O God. Above all, we praise and thank thee for that Lord of all power and might, who laid hold of the seed of Abraham, and made himself of no reputation, and took on him the form of a servant, and by his death and sacrifice made a perfect atonement for us; having endured our curse, and obeyed the law, and brought in for us an everlasting righteousness. We thank thee for the Bible that reveals the glad news, for the gospel faithfully proclaimed, for the gift of thy Holy Spirit. Fill our hearts with gratitude, increasing gratitude;

help us to express it in all we do. May we show forth the praises of Him who hath called us from darkness into his marvellous light. May we not only be, but appear also, a holy people, a chosen generation, a royal priesthood. Continue thy loving-kindness; as a father pitieth his children, do thou pity us. Still make the outgoings of the morning and evening to rejoice. Pardon our sins. Give us a true sense that they are pardoned. Shed abroad within us the blessedness of that man whose sins are pardoned, whose iniquities are blotted out. Give us the Spirit of adoption. Abundantly bless our provision; satisfy our poor with bread. Strengthen the bars of our gates, and bless our children. Make peace in our borders, and fill us with the finest of the wheat. Gather together the outcasts of Israel. Heal the broken in heart, and bind up their wounds. Fill our hearts with food and gladness, and establish our hearts with thy grace. May the evening of every day remind us of the evening of life. May we work and do good while it is called to-day, since the night cometh when no man can work; for Jesus' sake. Amen.

Tuesday Morning.

Scripture Reading—1 Samuel xxiii. 16–29.

Lord, we kneel together this morning at the throne of the heavenly grace, in the name of Jesus Christ, our blessed and only Saviour, beseeching thee to bow down thine ear, and hear us. We adore and worship thee as the God of creation, providence, redemption, dwelling in light inaccessible and full of glory. We put our trust in thy name, and to it we flee as to a strong tower. Blessed, O Lord, be thy glorious name, for all thou art to us, and for all thou hast done for us. We have slept peacefully under the shadow of thy wings, and we have risen in undeserved health and strength, to prosecute the duties of another day. We bless thee that we have thy holy word,

a lamp to our feet, and a light to our path. We bless and praise thee that we are not only permitted, but invited to come with boldness to the throne of grace, to seek mercy and acceptance through the blood of Jesus, and grace and strength to enable us to walk in his ways, advancing his kingdom, and glorifying his name. This morning we would, by faith, have recourse to the blood of sprinkling, for the remission of all our sins and offences. We humbly beg, with one heart, thy Holy Spirit. May he dwell within us as a light that cannot be extinguished. Quicken our souls, sanctify our hearts, purify our affections, fix our hopes on thee. O Lord, we humbly beseech thee to grant, that whatsoever we do this day, we may do it as in thy presence, and to the glory of thy name. Whether we eat or drink, may we live to thee. Be thou a voice upon our right hand and upon our left, whispering in our hearts, This is the way, walk ye in it. Light up a pillar of fire to lead us by night, and be to us a pillar of cloud to guide us by day. Feed us with the bread that perisheth, and with the bread of life. As our day is, let our strength be. Proportion thy mercies to our necessities; and grant that we may find, to our delighted experience, that all thy promises are yea and amen in Christ. Oh, cleanse thou us from secret faults; keep us back from all presumptuous sins; let them not have dominion over us. Show unto us thy power and thy glory, for thy loving-kindness is better than life. Show us thy mercy, O Lord, and grant us thy salvation. Endue thy ministers with thy righteousness, and make thy chosen people joyful. O Lord, bless our President. Establish our government in righteousness. Continue to us our liberties and privileges to all generations. Make us true Christians. Make our fellow-citizens sons of the living God. Let our land yield its increase, and do thou bless us. Hear us in the name of Jesus; unto whom, with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, we would give the glory and strength due unto thy name. Amen.

Tuesday Evening.

Scripture Reading — Acts xxv.

Our Father, whose throne is the heavens, whose foot-stool is the earth, we come to thee as children, taught, we trust, by thy Holy Spirit, to say, "Abba, Father." Enable us to sanctify and cherish thy name in our thoughts, affections, words, and actions; reverently and yet affectionately to speak of it, and constantly in all things to glorify it. Let thy kingdom of grace be set up in all our hearts, and let thy kingdom of glory come speedily. Let thy will be done on earth purely, perfectly, universally, as it is done in heaven. Teach us to know thy will; give us grace to obey it. May we each be able always, and in all circumstances — in losses, bereavements, trials, and sicknesses—to say, "Father, not as I will, but as thou wilt." Give us day by day our daily bread; feed us with food convenient for us; may it please thee to give us health to enjoy it. Put thy blessing on our daily bread. Provide for us, and all dependent on us, in this life, as to thee seemeth best; and feed us with that living bread which cometh down from heaven. Forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. We humbly ask forgiveness through the sacrifice of the Lord Jesus; may his atoning blood cleanse us. Say to each of us, "Thy sins be forgiven thee." Give us grace, as forgiven ourselves, to forgive them that grieve and evil entreat us, as thou, for Christ's sake, hast forgiven us. Lead us not into temptation; save us from it, or in it. Let thy strength be made perfect in our weakness; as our day is, may our strength be. Deliver us from every evil. Save us from the power and tyranny of evil passions; from the influence of evil example; from the condemnation of sin hereafter, and from the contagion of sin here. Save us, O God, for Christ's sake. Thine, O Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

Wednesday Morning.

Scripture Reading — 1 Samuel xxiv.

O Lord our God, thy kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and thy dominion endureth throughout all generations. Let thy kingdom, which is not meat or drink, but righteousness, peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost, be erected and established in our souls, flourish in our family, and spread over the whole earth. Set up thy throne in our hearts. Sway our affections, and subjugate all our faculties to thy service. Let the beauty of holiness be our ornament, the righteousness of Christ our covering, and the peace that passeth understanding our possession this day. May Christ expiate our sins by his blood, and extirpate our sins by his sceptre. O God, pardon our iniquities through the perfect atonement of Jesus. O Lord most high, purify our natures by thy Holy Spirit, working in us that which is well-pleasing in thy holy sight. May we love thy law; may we illustrate its precepts in our conduct, not only in great, but in little things, not only before men, but in secret, not only this day, but always. May thy grace influence us everywhere; may thy presence be felt by us at all times; and may we more and more feel thy yoke to be easy, and thy burden to be light. Let the kingdom of grace come into every bosom, let the kingdom of peace come into every family, and let the kingdom of glory speedily prevail over all the earth. Bless all who labour with earnest hearts to promote it; forgive their errors and infirmities, and accompany their exertions with thy blessing, Bless thy church universal; that portion of it especially with which we worship, and thy servant the minister of it. Keep us, O Lord, this day in thy fear and favour. Thee we would set before us; do thou, then, direct our steps. We ask these, and all other mercies thou seest to be most expedient for us, in the name and through the intercession of Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate. And

now unto him that is able to keep us from falling, and to present us faultless before his presence with exceeding joy, to the only wise God our Saviour, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, both now and ever. Amen.

Wednesday Evening.

Scripture Reading — Acts xxvi.

Heavenly Father, who sentest thy Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world through him might be saved, and hast invited us to look to him crucified, and now crowned, for forgiveness and all things, help us so to rest on him, and to believe in him, that our sins may be forgiven, and our souls accepted in thy sight. We beseech thee to make us new creatures in Christ Jesus; to quicken us, who are by nature dead in trespasses and sins. May we be born again. Give us new hearts. Create us in Christ Jesus to good works. May we walk no more according to the course of this world—according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that worketh in the children of disobedience. Make us, who were far off, nigh to thee by the blood of Christ, through whom we have access by thy Holy Spirit to thee, our Father. May we win Christ, and be found in him, not having our own righteousness, but his. May we know him as our Prophet, Priest, and King. Forgetting those things that are behind, and reaching forth unto those things that are before, may we press toward the mark for the prize of our high calling in Christ Jesus. May our conversation be in heaven, whence we look for the Saviour, who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto his glorious body. Blessed Lord, forgive us our sins, errors, and offences this day. Be merciful to us, and spare, and pardon, and remember not against us our transgressions, for Jesus' sake. Amen.

Thursday Morning.

Scripture Reading—1 Samuel xxv. 1–17.

O Lord, thou art the true and the living God, who wast, and art, and art to come. Thou art clothed with honour and with majesty. Thou art glorious in holiness, fearful in praises, doing wonders. In the name of Jesus we adore and worship thee; through him alone we thank and bless thee; and by his mediation alone we seek grace and glory. We praise thee with one heart, and thank thee together for the providential mercies of the night now past. We thank thee that neither fire, nor plague, nor any evil, has come near our dwelling. We are all guilty before thee, O thou Holy One. May the precious blood of Jesus be sprinkled on our hearts and consciences. Create in us clean hearts. Incline them to thy law. Renew our nature in thy holy likeness. Help us to do thy will. May we this day have strength for its duties, patience for its trials, and thy peace keeping us in the midst of its perplexities. Give us grace to do justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thee. As parents, as children, as masters, as servants, may we have light, and inclination, and power from thee, to pursue our respective duties in our several places with singleness of eye and simplicity of heart. May we never fail each to remember, or to feel, "Thou God seest me." While in this world may we not be of it. Add thy blessing to our gains, and sanctify to us our losses; and let neither prosperity nor adversity draw away our affections from thee. We know not what this day may bring forth, O may we be always ready. O heavenly Father, seal us for thine own. May we be found in Christ this day, and in the day of judgment, that we may reign and rejoice with him for ever. Bless our country, and of thy great mercy give peace in our time. Bless our President, and all under him, and over us. Bless abundantly the whole church of Christ, and especially that portion of it in which we statedly assemble together for public wor-

ship. Give us family mercies. Let our children grow up as olive plants, blessed of thee, and blessings to their home and their country, and to thy church. O Lord, keep our feet from falling, our eyes from tears, and our souls from death. Guide us this day by thy heavenly wisdom, preserve us by thy mighty power, and prosper us by thy gracious blessing, and receive us finally to thy presence. These and all other mercies we humbly ask in the name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, to whom, with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, we ascribe all honour, and praise, and glory. Amen.

Thursday Evening.

Scripture Reading — Acts xxvii. 1–20.

Behold, as the eyes of servants look unto the hands of their master, and as the eyes of a maiden unto the hands of her mistress, so our eyes wait upon the Lord our God. Show us thy mercy, O Lord, and grant us thy salvation. Lord, we have sinned against heaven and before thee, and we are no more worthy to be called thy sons. But, O Lord, where sin hath abounded, let grace much more abound. We come to thee in Christ Jesus. Let there be no condemnation to us. By Him who is the way, and the truth, and life, we approach and pray to thee. Hear us, O Lord our Father, and let not our hearts be troubled. We have sinned, but Christ has suffered for us. We have provoked thee, and vexed thy Spirit, and refused instruction, and turned back, and transgressed thy covenant. But this is our trust, and confidence, and hope—the blood of Jesus Christ cleanseth from all sin. O thou who desirest not the death of the sinner, who art the Father of mercies, with whom there is forgiveness, pardon our iniquities, we beseech thee. O thou who takest away the sins of the world, who camest to seek and to save that which was lost—Lamb of God, our light and life, and our peace, put away our sins, and forgive us. Holy and Blessed Spirit, our comforter,

our sanctifier, who didst descend on thy servants as fire, and still visitest and enrichest the souls of thine own, save us from all evil, strengthen us for all duty, prepare us for all trials, account us for thine own. Holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, everlasting and gracious Lord, be our portion, our refuge, our deliverer. Make us to be numbered with thy saints in glory everlasting. Save thy people, and bless thine inheritance. May we and ours be of that holy company who have washed their robes, and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. May we therefore stand before the throne. Make us the children of light and of the day. Into thy hands, O Lord, we commit ourselves, soul, and body, and spirit, for thou hast created and redeemed them. Preserve our down-sitting and up-rising from this time forth, even for evermore. We will lay us down in peace, for thou, Lord, only makest us to dwell in safety. Let all flesh see thy glory; let all be blessed in Jesus, and bless him. Holy, holy, holy Lord God Almighty, which was, and is, and is to come, graciously bless and keep us, for Christ's sake. Amen.

Friday Morning.

Scripture Reading — 1 Samuel xxv. 18–33.

O thou Fountain of good, thou blessed Giver of every good and perfect gift, give us neither poverty nor riches, but feed us with food convenient for us. Having food and raiment, may we be therewith content. And, heavenly Father, should it be thy will, for wise, though to us mysterious ends, to withhold from us the early and the latter rain, or to visit us with losses, O thou whose strength is made perfect in weakness, grant that if the fig-tree shall not blossom, and there shall be no fruit in the vine; if the labour of the olive shall fail, and the fields shall yield no meat; if the flock shall be cut off from the fold, and there shall be no herd in the stall; that yet we may be

able to rejoice in thee our Lord, and to joy in thee, the God of our salvation. May we never be so anxious about the bread that perisheth, that we forget the infinitely higher importance of that living bread that cometh down from heaven. May we have fewer vexing cares about what we shall eat and drink, and be clothed withal. May we cast our cares upon thee. But, O heavenly Father, bestow upon us most chiefly the forgiveness of sins. Sprinkle our souls with the atoning and cleansing efficacies of the blood of Jesus. Sanctify us through thy truth, and by thy Holy Spirit. Renew us in thy likeness. May our faith grow stronger; do thou nourish it. We believe; Lord, help our unbelief. May our peace flow as a river, and our joy advance as the morning light. Heartily we beseech thee to give us hearts to sympathize with others. May we be ready to communicate; willing to bless others, as thou hast blessed us. This day give us grace to do justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thee, our God, through Jesus Christ. The Lord bless us and keep us. The Lord make his face to shine upon us, and be gracious to us. The Lord lift up his countenance upon us, and give us peace. Lord, thus put thy name upon us and bless us, and all the children of Israel. Lord, be thou our keeper, and our shade on our right hand. Let not the sun smite us by day, nor the moon by night. Lord, preserve us from all evil; preserve our souls, Lord, preserve our going out and our coming in, from this time forth even for evermore. We ask all in the name of him who is able to keep us from falling, even Jesus Christ, our Lord and Saviour. Amen.

Friday Evening.

Scripture Reading — Acts xxvii. 21–44.

Heavenly Father, we thy children thank and praise thee for thy holy word. We bless thee for its promises, its invitations, and its doctrines and precepts. We bless thee for its

preservation in the midst of a hostile world, its cheapness, and our possession of it. Above all, we praise and glorify thy holy name for Him whom it reveals as the light to lighten the Gentiles, and the glory of thy people Israel. Thanks be to thee for thine unspeakable gift — a Saviour — for his atoning death and precious sacrifice, and full oblation once for all, for all that believe — for his glorious resurrection and ascension, and that he ever liveth to make intercession for us. May we ever hold fast the truth. May we glory only in Christ crucified. May his sacrifice be our only trust, his righteousness our only justification, the efficacy of his shed blood our only atonement. May we never be drawn away from this to another gospel. May our sins this day be forgiven, according to thy promises, for his sake. Say thou unto our souls, "I am thy salvation." Do thou absolve us in thy mercy, and it matters not who condemns us. Grant us, we beseech thee, thy Holy Spirit. May he, who alone can, regenerate our hearts. May he sanctify us, teach us, strengthen us, comfort, keep us, and fit us for thy kingdom and glory. May we be kept humble. May we never speak the truth, or contend for the truth, but in love. May we hate sin and error; and pity, and pray for, and try to deliver the victims of either. Look down in love and in compassion on this nation and commonwealth. Shine upon them; remove from them all error and false doctrine, and stablish in our hearts thy truth and peace. Increase the number of faithful ministers of the gospel. Provide sound and useful teachers for the young. Let pure and undefiled religion prosper and prevail mightily in the midst of our land. Bless our President and all in authority. May they defend and protect all that are oppressed. Bless us and ours. Make our children thy children, and our home a house of prayer, for Jesus' sake. Amen.

Saturday Morning.

Scripture Reading — 1 Samuel xxvi. 1–21.

Search us, O God, and know our hearts; and try us, and know our thoughts; and see if there be any wicked way in us, and lead us in the way everlasting. It is not in man, that walketh, to direct his steps. We therefore look up to thee, and lean on thee, O God. This day watch over us in thy gracious providence in all our goings. Cast us not away from thy presence, in which is fulness of joy. Take not thy Holy Spirit from us, for he is our Comforter and Teacher. Hold up our goings, that our footsteps slip not. Care for us, for we cast all our care on thee. Preserve our going out and coming in, from this time forth even for evermore. O most gracious Father, deliver us from all evil. From the curse that awaits sin in the world that is to come, and from its influence and its supremacy in the world that now is, do thou mercifully and daily save us. From the condemnation of sin, justly incurred by us all, and from the power and pollution of sin, do thou deliver us, through the atoning blood and intercession of our High Priest, the Son of God. Keep us from falling. Preserve us to thy kingdom and glory. Perfect Divine strength in human weakness. Hold us by thy right hand. Strengthen us with all might. Help us to overcome. Reserve for us a crown of life. Make us a peculiar people, living epistles, a purchased possession, a holy nation, zealous of good works. O thou in whom we have believed, keep that which we have committed unto thee, in the name of him who loved us and gave himself for us. In all time of our tribulation, in all time of our wealth, in the hour of death, and in the day of judgment, good Lord, deliver us, for Jesus' sake. Amen.

Saturday Evening.

Scripture Reading — Acts xxviii. 1–16.

Heavenly Father, we know not our wants and necessities as they are; but we believe them to be many and deep. Oh reveal to us ourselves; show us our own hearts; make known to us what we need; how poor, and blind, and ignorant we are by nature; and help and teach us to own and acknowledge to thee our transgressions, and estrangement, and alienation from thee. Teach us, O Lord, to know and trust thee as our eternal and reconciled God and Father in Jesus Christ. Teach us to worship thee, who art a Spirit, in spirit and in truth. Teach us to see and feel that in thee is the fountain of life; the source of light, and joy, and peace; all grace, and goodness, and love, and happiness; and that from thee the weakest may have strength, and the neediest abundance, and the guiltiest pardon through Christ Jesus. Oh teach us thy willingness to do us good—thy delight in mercy. May we ever feel, in seeking pardon, and reconciliation, and peace, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, that thy ways are not our ways, nor thy thoughts our thoughts; but that thy thoughts are above our thoughts, and thy ways above our ways, as heaven is above earth. May we have a deeper and more humbling sense of our sinfulness, and may we pray more fervently for forgiveness. Reveal to us the efficacy and sufficiency of the blood of Jesus, the perfection of his sacrifice, the power of his resurrection, the prevalence of his intercession;—and teach us to pray as believers from the very heart, in these great and precious truths. Teach us to pray with the whole heart. Teach us to pray in faith, to draw near to thee with a true heart in full assurance of faith. Teach us to pray in all humility and lowliness, as not worthy of the least of all thy mercies, and to humble ourselves and seek thy face, and turn from all our wicked ways. Teach us to pray with perseverance.

May we continue to ask, and seek, and knock, and to be assured that we shall obtain if we faint not. Teach us to approach thy footstool with filial fear, and with all boldness and freedom of utterance, pleading the promises in the name of him in whom they are all Yea and Amen. Grant us, above all, thy Holy Spirit, that we may pray with all prayer and supplication in the spirit. May spiritual blessings and mercies be our first and chiefest concern. May we seek first thy kingdom, the forgiveness of sin, the regeneration of our hearts, the salvation of our souls. Teach us to feel more than we have ever felt the great importance, the unspeakable glory of these things. Grant us such earthly blessings as may seem to thy wisdom and love expedient for us. Remove far from us vanity and lies; give us neither poverty nor riches; feed us with food convenient for us; for Christ's sake. Amen.

TWENTY-EIGHTH WEEK.

Sabbath Morning.

Scripture Reading — Psalm liii.

O Lord, we have sinned against heaven and before thee, and we are no more worthy to be called thy sons. Enter not into judgment with thy servants, O Lord, for in thy sight can no man living be justified. We are become as an unclean thing. We all do fade as a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, have taken us away. We have rebelled against thee, O Lord; hide thy face from our sins, we beseech thee. Pardon the iniquities of thy servants according to thine infinite mercy and love in Christ Jesus. Be not wroth with us. Remember not, Lord, our offences, neither take thou vengeance on our sins. Spare us, good Lord; spare thy people whom thou hast redeemed, not with corruptible things, as silver and gold, but with the precious blood of a Lamb without spot. Deal not

with us, O Lord, after our sins, neither reward us according to our iniquities. After thy loving-kindness have mercy upon us, and blot out our transgressions. O Lord, our Father, who hast promised the Spirit to them that ask thee, graciously fulfil this thy promise for Jesus' sake. May he save us from blindness of mind, from hardness of heart, from contempt of thy word, from indifference to thy gospel, from all sin, and that sin that is unto death. This day give us the hearing ear and the understanding heart. Give to thy servants, the ministers of the everlasting gospel, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, and faithfulness and boldness, that they may declare and set forth the unsearchable riches of Christ. May they rightly divide the word of truth, and win souls. Build up thy church in peace and holiness. Give us all grace to be humble. May pure and scriptural religion be taught in our schools and universities. Satisfy our poor with bread. Blessed Lord, give us the living and true bread that cometh down from heaven. Satisfy our souls. Sanctify our hearts. Bless all near and dear to us. Pour down thy Holy Spirit on all thy people. Come, Lord Jesus. And may these and all other mercies needful be granted, for the sake of our blessed Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Sabbath Evening.

Scripture Reading — Psalm lv.

O Lord, whom have we in heaven but thee? and there is none upon earth we desire beside thee. Hide not thyself, we beseech thee, from our supplications, but bow down thine ear, and attend to us, and hear us, and bless us, for Jesus' sake. O Lord, help us to set our hearts upon things that are above, and not upon things that are below. Enable us to set thee before us, and in all our ways to acknowledge thee, and do thou graciously direct us. Be with us evermore. Make thy gates praise to us, and thy courts thanksgiving, and be thou a

voice upon our right hand and upon our left, saying, This is the way, walk ye in it. Deliver our souls from all evil, we beseech thee. Enable us to cast our burden upon thee, and do thou most graciously sustain us. May the righteous never be moved. Pardon all our sins through the peace-speaking sacrifice of Him who was made sin for us, that we might be made the righteousness of God by him. Renew our hearts by thy Holy Spirit, and sanctify us through thy truth, and beget us again to a living hope through the resurrection of Christ from the dead. Bless all near and dear to us; comfort all that mourn; strengthen all that stand; raise up them that are bowed down. Give a blessing to the preaching of thy word this day throughout the whole earth. May the righteousness of thy church break forth like brightness, and the salvation thereof like a lamp that burneth. May grace and mercy and peace be with all the Israel of God. Let all the people bless the Redeemer, and be blessed in him. Let the whole earth be filled with his glory. We ask all in the name and through the merits of thy dear Son, to whom with thee and the ever-blessed Spirit, one God, be glory, thanksgiving, and honour, world without end. Amen.

Monday Morning.

Scripture Reading—1 Samuel xxvii.

O Lord, the Father of mercies, who turnest the shadow of death into the morning, and renewest the face of the earth, cause us to hear thy loving-kindness in the morning, for in thee do we trust. Our hearts condemn us, and thou art greater than our hearts, and knowest all things. We are sinners in thought, word, and deed; we feel and know that we are so. Forgive us, gracious Father, through the merits of our Lord and Saviour Christ Jesus. Blot out our sins and offences in his most precious blood, accept of us, and justify us, for

thy name's sake. In that fountain opened for sin and uncleanness wash us thoroughly from our iniquities, and cleanse us from our sins. Grant us, O Lord, thy Holy Spirit. May he quicken our faith, inspire our hearts, and renew us day by day in thy likeness. Grant us a double portion of thy Spirit, may he abide with us this day and ever. Bestow upon us that unction from the Holy One which teacheth all things. Let the Comforter come unto us. Perfect whatever is wanting within us. Lord, we believe, help our unbelief. Shed abroad in our hearts the love of thee; make us humble, charitable, holding the truth in love — not thinking of ourselves more highly than we ought to think, but soberly. Keep us this day without sin. May it please thee to add to thy church daily such as shall be saved, and to bring back all such as have erred and are deceived. May it please thee to stand by and strengthen the hands of all faithful ministers. Give them the spirit of wisdom and holiness. May it please thee to have mercy on all men. The Lord be our keeper, and our defence on our right hand. Preserve us from evil. Grant all these mercies for the sake of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Monday Evening.

SCRIPTURE READING — Romans i. 1–22.

O LORD, we praise and bless thee for the gospel of thy Son, and that thou hast fulfilled whatsoever thou didst promise by thy prophets in the Holy Scriptures of old concerning thy Son Jesus Christ. We thank thee that the Word was made flesh and dwelt amongst us, and that we beheld his glory, the glory of the only-begotten, full of grace and truth. We thank thee for thy holy word, and for the knowledge of a Saviour, and for the hopes of thy kingdom and glory. We praise and bless thee that our ears have heard, and that our eyes have seen, what prophets desired to hear and see, but were not permitted. O Lord, may we never be ashamed of the glorious gospel of

the Son of God. May it be in our hearts and lives the power of God unto salvation to us, and to every one that believeth, to the Jew first, and also to the Greek. May we glory in the righteousness therein revealed. May we live by faith. Lord, we believe: help our unbelief. Strengthen our faith in thy word, and our confidence in thy love, and enable us to walk before thee, living epistles, seen and read of all men. We pray that the heathen that know thee not may be led to glorify thee as God. We pray that the wisdom that is from above, which is pure, and peaceable, and gentle, and easy to be entreated, and full of good fruits, without partiality and without hypocrisy, may be diffused from the rising of the sun unto the going down of the same. Hasten that day when all idolatry, and superstition, and ignorance, and error shall be banished from the earth, and the light of the Sun of Righteousness shall shine upon every land, and all flesh shall be brought to the obedience of the faith. May thy kingdom come, and thy name be hallowed every where. May prayer be offered to thee continually for these blessed results, and may thy Holy Spirit soon be poured out in double measure upon all flesh. Keep us this day without sin, guide us by thy heavenly counsel, perfect thy strength in our weakness, prosper us in all we put our hand to; and all we beg is for the Redeemer's name's sake. Amen.

Tuesday Morning.

Scripture Reading—1 Samuel xxviii. 7–25.

Bless the Lord, O our souls, and all that is within us, bless his holy name. O Lord, forgive all our iniquities, and all the sins of our youth, for the sake and in the name of Him who died for our sins, and rose again for our justification. Blessed Lord, heal all our diseases; subdue the power of sin within us; destroy its poison, and weaken daily its influence in our

hearts. Let thy Holy Spirit guide, teach, and sanctify, and strengthen us with all might inwardly. Crown us, O Lord, with loving-kindnesses and tender mercies; so we ask of thee who giveth liberally. Let us taste that thou art gracious. Give us not according to our asking, but according to thy love. Bestow upon us thy Holy Spirit. Renew our strength daily; as our day is, may our strength be. O thou who art merciful and gracious and slow to anger, deal not with us after our sins, but according to thine infinite mercy in Christ Jesus. As far as the east is distant from the west, so far remove from us our transgressions, blotting them out in the blood of the everlasting covenant. As a father pitieth his children, so, O most gracious Father, do thou pity us, for, behold, we are dust, and our days are as grass. Let thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us from everlasting to everlasting, and thy righteousness upon us and upon our children's children. Hear us, O thou whose throne is in the heavens, and whose kingdom ruleth over all. Mercifully hear, and forgive, and bless, and keep us, for the Lord Jesus Christ's sake. And now unto him who is able to keep us from falling, and to present us faultless before the presence of his glory with exceeding joy, to the only wise God our Saviour, be glory and majesty, dominion and power both now and ever. Amen.

Tuesday Evening.

Scripture Reading — Romans ii.

O Lord, whose are the riches of goodness, forbearance, and long-suffering, do thou impress upon our hearts that through deeds of law no flesh can be justified in thy sight. Forbid, O Lord, that having great privileges, we should undervalue, misuse, or despise them. May the riches of thy goodness, forbearance, and long-suffering, disclosed to us by thy Holy Spirit, make us deeply thankful. May thy goodness lead us daily to repentance. God forbid that any one here, or dear

and near to us in this world, should treasure up to himself wrath against the day of wrath, and revelation of the righteous judgment of God. Blessed Lord, number us with those who by patient continuance in well-doing, seek for glory, and honour, and immortality, and eternal life. May thy Holy Spirit anoint and seal us as thine own. We pray that not only we, but that all mankind may soon be brought to see and to feel the preciousness of the great provision of the gospel in the death and atonement of Jesus. Do thou pardon our sins through Christ, and enlighten us day by day in the knowledge of every truth, and enable us to be Christians, not in name only, but in deed and in power; and not only to teach others to fear thee, but ourselves to let our light so shine before men, that others seeing our good works may glorify thee, our Father in heaven. Create clean hearts within us, O God. O Lord, have mercy upon all who have a form of religion, whilst they are dead in trespasses and in sins. Quicken them by thy Spirit, we beseech thee. Search us and try us, O God, to whom all hearts be open, and all desires known, and see if there be any wicked way in any of us; and do us the good that we need, and withhold what we deserve, and fulfil to us all that thou hast promised, for Jesus' name's sake. Amen.

Our Father who art in heaven, &c.

Wednesday Morning.

Scripture Reading — 1 Samuel xxix.

Lord of all power and might, Author of all good things, we are poor, and frail, and needy. We have lost our original glory; the gold is become dross. We are guilty. Sin cleaves to our every thought, and word, and deed. Our days are like a shadow that declineth, and we are withered like grass. Arise, O thou who endurest for ever, and have mercy upon us thy servants, thy children who are called by thy name. Blot

out our transgressions for thine own name's sake. We have gone astray like lost sheep, we have turned every one to his own way. See our Help, and our Sun, and our Shield, on whom thou hast laid the iniquities of us all, and for his sake graciously save us, and cleanse us from all our iniquities. Let the heathen fear thy name, and all the kings of the earth thy glory. Build up Zion, and appear on earth in thy glory. Regard the prayer of the destitute, and do not despise their prayer. Look down from the height of thy sanctuary, O Lord, and behold the earth, and hear the groaning of the prisoner, the lamentations of the widow and the orphan, and loose those who are doomed to death. Let thy name be declared in Zion, and thy praise in Jerusalem. Let all nations speedily serve thee. O Lord, keep, we pray thee, our feet from falling this day. Be a voice on our right hand and on our left, evermore saying unto us, "This is the way: walk ye in it." Defend us this day from the snares and wiles of the wicked one; from all sin and error; from anger, ill will, and malice, and all uncharitableness. From pride, vain-glory, and hypocrisy do thou graciously deliver us, good Lord. Holy Father, keep us this day from all evil and mischief; from the crafts and assaults of the devil, from hardness of heart and contempt of thy word and commandment, O Lord, deliver us. May we be patient in trials, not slothful in business; fervent in spirit, serving the Lord. Help us so to pass this present life that we never lose our impression that we are pilgrims and strangers upon earth, and that our home is at thy right hand. Pour down on all the sections of thy catholic church a spirit of prayer, and supplication, and thanksgiving. Deliver thy people from error. Beat down Satan under our feet. Fix our heart and affections on thyself. Sanctify us through thy truth; thy word is truth. Beget us, and all dear to us, to a living and growing hope. Make our children thy children, and our friends thy friends. To live may it be Christ, to die may it be gain. Accept these our prayers and praises, by that new and living way—the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world. Amen.

Wednesday Evening.

Scripture Reading — Romans iii.

O Lord, the fountain of goodness, we earnestly beseech thee to give our hearts a deep sense of our own ruin by nature, and of our utter inability to reinstate ourselves in thy favour. May we truly and heartily believe, what our consciences also testify, that there is none righteous, no, not one; that we and all flesh have corrupted our way, and that our hearts and the heart of every man are deceitful above all things and desperately wicked, and that by deeds of law no flesh, however great or good, can be justified in thy sight. We thank thee that there is no reason for despair, notwithstanding the ruin of which we are the subjects. We thank thee that the righteousness of God which is by faith of Jesus Christ, is unto all and upon all that believe. O God, impute that righteousness to us. Justify us, O God of our salvation. We thank thee that while all have sinned and come short of the glory of God, there is salvation for the chiefest of sinners through the precious blood of the everlasting covenant. Engrave on our hearts, deep and indelible, this blessed truth. We thank thee that thou hast set forth thy Son to be a propitiation through faith in his blood. May we receive him as he is thus set forth. May we believe on him as he is declared in the gospel. Lord, we believe, help our unbelief, we beseech thee. Hear these, we beseech thee, our earnest but imperfect petitions, and grant that we may show in our life, and walk, and conduct, that true religion is followed by all the fruits of the Holy Spirit. May all men hear soon the joyful sound, and may increasing multitudes walk in the light of thy countenance all the day long. O God, keep us, and bless us, and refresh us, this day. Our hearts are towards thee, O Lord. Hear us, and help us, and bless us, for the Redeemer's sake. Amen.

Thursday Morning.

Scripture Reading — 1 Samuel xxx. 1–19.

O God, our Creator, Preserver, and Benefactor, our Father also, we bow our souls at thy footstool, on this the morning of another day, and ask of thee mercy and forgiveness in the name of Jesus. Hear our prayers, O God, in mercy, not in judgment, and for thy great name's sake take away the transgressions with which we have dishonoured and profaned it, that they be no more found. So cleanse us with the blood of Christ that we may be worthy to bear his name. So sanctify us by thy Holy Spirit that we shall be living epistles seen and read of all men. Give us courage, O gracious Saviour, to confess thee before all men, and live to thy honour and glory in this ungodly and unbelieving world. Establish thy throne in our hearts, we beseech thee. We have too often done those things which we ought not to have done, and have left undone those things which we ought to have done. We have erred and strayed from thee like lost sheep. Do thou, O God, forgive us. Take possession of our hearts by thy Holy Spirit. Create in us clean hearts, and renew right spirits within us. O thou, who seest the hearts of all men, judge, we pray thee, whether there be in us any thing that we prefer before thee, or desire in opposition to thy will, or pursue in ignorance, or refuse in unbelief, and give us grace to put them from us, and to follow with all our hearts thy holy will. Make us what thou wouldest have us to be. Show us what thou wouldest have us to do. It is the desire of our souls to be conformed in all things to thy will and pleasure. Increase and gratify this desire, O Lord. Enable us to lay before thee an acceptable gift, ourselves, and all that we have to do with in this life, as it seemeth thee best. Put down, O Lord, by thy mighty power, all pride of heart, all wilfulness of desire, all selfishness of passion, or affection, or appetite, and make clean our hearts within us.

May we love nothing but what thou lovest, and hate with a perfect hatred all that thou hatest, becoming perfect, even as our Father in heaven is perfect; for Jesus Christ's sake. Amen.

Thursday Evening.

Scripture Reading — Romans iv.

O Lord, our Father, who reignest over all, we lift our hearts to thee, the God of Abraham and Isaac and Jacob. We pray that, justified by faith, we may have peace with thee through Jesus Christ. Grant us, O Lord, the blessedness of that man unto whom the Lord imputeth righteousness without works. May ours be the blessedness of those whose iniquities are forgiven, whose sins are covered. We are sinful, and fallen, and in us there is no health. Impute not to us our sins, O Lord; remember not against us our iniquities, but spare us, good Lord; see us in the face of Jesus Christ thine anointed, and accept of us in his name, and for his sake. We pray that our faith may be increased, even that faith which worketh by love, and purifieth the heart, and overcometh the world, and that we may be able with all our heart and strength to look to and lean on the Lamb of God who taketh away the sin of the world. May thy Holy Spirit create in us clean hearts, and renew right spirits within us, and give us grace to believe the promises, and to be the children of Abraham, who against hope believed in hope, and became the father of many nations, and staggered not at the promise of God through unbelief, but was strong in faith, giving glory to God. Receive us, O Father, into thy family. Make us sons—heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ. Keep us this night, we beseech thee, under the shadow of thy wings; defend us from all danger to soul or body, or family; grant us every grace that we truly need; give us above all thy Holy Spirit; and grant that at the last day we may sit down with Abraham, and Isaac, and Jacob in the kingdom of our Father. We praise and bless

thee for all thy mercies, and above all for Jesus Christ, thine inestimable gift, who was delivered for our offences, and raised again for our justification. Hear us, and accept of us, and bless us, in him, and for his name's sake. Amen.

Friday Morning.

Scripture Readings — 1 Samuel xxx. 26–31; xxxi.

O Lord, Father of heaven and earth, our Father, we draw near to thee, humbly acknowledging our unworthiness of the least of thy mercies, and earnestly entreating thee to look down from heaven thy dwelling-place, and pardon all our sins, and blot out all our iniquities, through the precious sacrifice of Him who died for us and rose again for our justification, and ever liveth at thy right hand to make intercession for us. We earnestly pray that thy Holy Spirit may dwell in our hearts, and enlighten our minds, and purify our affections. May we rejoice in the knowledge of Christ as the light to lighten the Gentiles, and the glory of his people Israel. O thou who hast promised to thy people all things that are good, and hast never failed in all the good thou hast promised, grant us the forgiveness of our sins in the name of thy dear Son; give us clean hearts and right spirits, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy name. Our hearts are deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked. Heal, and cure, and sanctify them, O Lord. Deepen in us, we beseech thee, the hatred of and the sense of sin, that with mourning and penitent spirits, in self-knowledge and self-abhorrence, we may seek the blessing of forgiveness in the atoning blood of Jesus. With thy Spirit's help, O Lord, enable us to render to every man that mercy, forbearance, and indulgence which thou, O blessed Jesus, hast rendered unto us, to bear with sinners, as thou hast borne with us, and to do unto all men, not according to their righteousness, but after the

example of thy loving-kindness and sympathy for the guilty and the unthankful. Oh pour on us this day, O Lord, the softening influence of thy Spirit, to subdue the asperities of our nature, and to make us wholly like thee. Give a blessing to every effort made to carry forth the incorruptible seed of truth to the ends of the earth. May many be raised up to sow, and plant, and water, and do thou give the increase. Remove obstructions to thy kingdom. Scatter Papal, Mahometan, and Pagan darkness. Shed into many minds the light of thy gospel. Hasten the coming of the Son of man. Mercifully hear our prayers, O God. Keep, and guide, and prosper us this day. We ask thee for Christ's sake. Amen.

Friday Evening.

Scripture Reading — Romans v.

We will arise and go to our Father, and we will say, Father, we have sinned against heaven and in thy sight, and we are no more worthy to be called thy children. We praise and bless thee, that when we were yet without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly. We thank and praise thee, that thou didst commend thy love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners Christ died for us. Grant, O Lord, that we may be justified by faith through him, and enjoy peace with thee. May we ever thankfully avail ourselves of access by faith into the grace wherein we stand, and may we rejoice all the day long in hope of the glory of God. May we glory in tribulation, and may our tribulation work patience; and patience, experience; and experience, hope. May the love of God be shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Spirit given to us. May we joy in God our Father through our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom we have now received the atonement. Be merciful to us, O Lord, and bless us, and cause thy face to shine upon us, that thy ways may be known upon earth, and thy saving health among all nations. Make known these

blessed truths, we beseech thee, to all the ends of the earth, and let Jew and Gentile, barbarian, bond, and free, see thy great salvation, be sanctified through thy truth, and become heirs of the kingdom of glory. Keep us, O God, this night and evermore under the shadow of thy wing; defend us from all evil, prosper us with thy blessing, and bring us at length to thy right hand, where there are joys and pleasures for ever. These and all other mercies, for ourselves and for all mankind, we ask in the name and through the mediation of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Saturday Morning.

Scripture Reading — 2 Samuel i. 1–21.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who seest that we know not what is good for us, nor how to ask any thing as we ought, hear our prayers according to thy wisdom and goodness, and answer them not according to our ignorance and folly. Give us, O Lord, to dread no evil so much as sin, and to call nothing good but what has thy blessing in it. Enable us, we implore thee, to renounce all sinful pleasures, and dangerous pursuits, and ungodly associations, and unrighteous gains, which bring temptation, and end only in evil. Grant, O heavenly Father, as we this day claim to be thy children, and now present ourselves before thee, that we may be enabled to fulfil the vows we have made to renounce, by thy Spirit's aid, the pomps and vanities of this vain and sinful world, the lust of the flesh, the pride of life, and all else that may hinder the divine life within us. If we are not able in our own strength to put away the right hand or to pluck out the right eye, do thou, O God, in thy great mercy, remove the evil from us. O Lord, forgive all the sins of the week that now draws to a close. Sprinkle the cleansing blood of Christ Jesus upon us and ours. Bless all connected with us. Help us day by

day to study thy Holy Scriptures which alone are able to make us wise unto salvation; may we delight in them as gold, and count them more precious than fine gold. Help us to seek to know thy mind, and having once found it, earnestly and heartily to pursue the path it pleases thee to prescribe. Shine into our minds, which by nature are hard as flint and full of darkness, that we may love thee, and delight to do thy will. Answer these our petitions, O Almighty God, for the sake of thine only Son, our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Saturday Evening.

Scripture Reading — Romans vi.

May thy grace, O Lord, teach us, thy children, to deny ungodliness and worldly lusts, and to live soberly, and righteously, and godly in this present world. O Lord, may we ever be looking for that blessed hope,—the glorious appearing of Jesus Christ our great God and Saviour. Let not the world blind us to this great expectation. May we become dead to sin, so that we may live no longer therein. May we be baptized into the death of the Son of God; may we be buried with him by the baptism of the Spirit into death. As Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, may we also walk in newness of life. May we be planted together in the likeness of his death, and also in the likeness of his resurrection. May our old nature be crucified with him. May we no longer serve sin; may we reckon ourselves dead unto sin, but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord. O God, absolve us from all our trespasses, and blot out all our sins, through Jesus Christ who died for us. God forbid that we should yield our members as instruments of unrighteousness unto sin. Let not sin, O Lord, have dominion over us. Being made free from sin, may we become the servants of righteousness. May thy Holy Spirit impress these truths upon our hearts; give us the enjoyment of these inestimable

privileges, and make us deeply and unfeignedly thankful to thee that, while the wages of sin is death, thy gift is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord. Watch over us, and keep us this night. Spare us, if it please thee, to another day. Give us a taste of its privileges, thankfulness for its blessings, and profit from its exercises, for Christ's sake. May the peace of God that passeth all understanding keep our hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord, and may the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, be with us and ours, now and always. Amen.

TWENTY-NINTH WEEK.

Sabbath Morning.

Scripture Reading — Psalm lvi.

O Lord, in thee do we trust; we will not be afraid of what man can do unto us. Thy vows are upon us, O God; give us grace to pay them, and to render praise unto thee. Thou, O Lord, tellest our wanderings; thou art our God: what time we are afraid we will trust in thee. We have put our trust in thee, the Lord; and we will not fear what man can do unto us. We thank and praise thee, O Lord, that thou hast delivered our souls from death, and kept our feet from falling, and enabled us to walk before thee in the light of the living. We thank thee for another sabbath of the Son of man, and for all the privileges to which we have access from this thy holy day. We pray that this day we may enter thy gates with praise, and thy courts with thanksgiving, and make mention of thy righteousness, even of thine only. We thank thee for the death and resurrection of the Son of God. We thank thee for his perfect sacrifice, for his glorious righteousness, for his all-prevailing intercession. Give thy ministering servants grace,

and life, and power, to proclaim the unsearchable riches of Christ; and do thou bring many from darkness unto light, and from the power of Satan unto God, granting them forgiveness of sin and the hopes of an inheritance among all them that are sanctified. Pour out thy Holy Spirit, we earnestly beseech thee, upon all flesh. Hasten the day when all shall know thee, from the least to the greatest, and the whole earth shall be filled with thy glory. Guide us by thy counsel this day; hold us by thy right hand, and when heart and flesh shall faint and fail, be thou the strength of our hearts and our portion for ever. Hear our prayers, O Lord. May thy servants this day be clothed with righteousness; may thy saints shout aloud for joy. Look upon all the sections of thy church universal, and increase the number of them that know and love thee, O living God. Hasten the restoration of thine ancient people the Jews. Make them truly in spirit, not in letter, the children of Abraham, and heirs of the promises. Visit the Gentiles with thy salvation. Have mercy on all men. Hear our prayers, and accept of our praises, and let the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts be acceptable in thy sight, through Jesus Christ our Redeemer. Amen.

Sabbath Evening.

Scripture Reading — Psalm lvii.

We will cry unto thee, O Lord most high; do thou perform all things for us; be merciful to us, O Lord. Our souls trust in thee; yea, in the shadow of thy wings will we make our refuge now and evermore. Send from heaven, O Lord, thy light and thy truth, thy grace and thy love. Pardon our sins in the name of Jesus. Save us from the curse and pollution of sin. Deliver us, and bless us, O Lord, whose mercy is great unto the heaven, and whose truth reacheth unto the clouds, who art exalted above the heavens, and whose glory is far above the earth. Fix our hearts upon thyself; fix our

hearts to sing and to give praise unto thee, O God; for thou pardonest our sins, and healest our diseases, and redeemest our life from destruction; thou satisfiest our mouth with good things, thou crownest us with loving-kindnesses and with tender mercies. Help us to ask, that we may receive; to seek, that we may find; and to be sure that thou art willing to do for us exceeding abundantly above all that we can ask or think, in the name of Him who ever liveth to make intercession for us. May thy word this day heard with the outer ear be grafted inwardly in our hearts; open our hearts, as thou didst open the heart of Lydia thy servant of old, that we may give heed to the things that we have heard, and that belong to our everlasting peace. Do thou change every heart, remove all prejudices, break the force of all the passions that deprave and crowd our hearts; let thy word have free course, and be glorified. May sinners be converted; may saints be comforted and built up in their most holy faith, day by day. Hear these our petitions, and accept of our thanksgivings for all the mercies thou hast made to pass before us, and help us to lie down and to rest under the shadow of thy wings, through Jesus Christ our Saviour and our Redeemer. Our Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, As it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil; For thine is the kingdom, The power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen. And may the grace of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, and the love of God our Father, and the communion of the Holy Ghost the Comforter, be amongst us, and abide with us, this night and evermore. Amen.

Monday Morning.

Scripture Reading — 2 Samuel. ii. 1–17.

O Lord, show us thy kindness this day, and thy truth, and cause the light of thy countenance to shine upon us, and bless us, for Jesus' sake. O Lord, teach us thy ways, reveal to us thy will, enable us to seek first thy kingdom and thy righteousness, that all other things may be added unto us. This day preserve us in our going out and in our coming in. Let thy blessing be upon the work of our hands; cause goodness and mercy to follow us; give us daily bread; feed us, above all, with the living bread that cometh down from heaven. May we not labour only for the meat that perisheth, but for that which endureth unto everlasting life. We pray that thou wouldest be pleased to bless all near and dear to us. Make our friends thy friends; forgive our enemies; prosper us in all we put our hands to; and make the outgoings of the morning and the evening to rejoice before us. Give unto us beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness. Look upon the poor, the distressed, and the suffering, and supply their wants, and help all who love thee in spirit and in truth truly to sympathize with them. May thy name be hallowed from the rising of the sun to the going down of the same. May that kingdom which is righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost, come speedily. May thy will be done in us, and by us, and through us, even as it is done in heaven. Deliver us from all evil; lead us into no temptation; forgive us all our debts, and teach us from the heart to forgive our enemies. Hear our prayers and bless us, and do us all the good that we need; for all we ask is in the name and through the merits of Jesus Christ, our Prince and our Redeemer; and unto Him, who is able to keep us from falling, and to present us faultless before thy presence in glory with exceeding joy — to the only wise God our Saviour, be glory and majesty, now and evermore. This week, and through

all its scenes, and trials, and toils, the Lord bless us and keep us. The Lord lift up his countenance upon us, and be gracious to us. The Lord lift up the light of his countenance upon us, and give us peace. Amen.

Monday Evening.

Scripture Reading—Romans vii.

O Lord, our heavenly Father, may we die daily unto sin, and live daily unto righteousness. Deliver us, we beseech thee, through the blood of sprinkling, from the condemnation of the law. Help us by thy Holy Spirit to serve thee in newness of life. O Lord, may we be more and more delivered from the influence of sin, the seductions of the world, and the temptation of the wicked one. We confess that in thy sight we are sinners. There is a law in our members which warreth against the law of our spirits, so that often the good that we would do, that we do not. Deliver us, O Lord, from this body of death. Give us thy Holy Spirit, to enable us to serve thee with all our mind, and with all our strength, and with all our heart. May we walk before thee as monuments of thy praise. May our light so shine about us, that the world may take notice of us that we have been with Jesus. May the holiness of our life, O gracious God and Father, be proofs of the excellence of that faith which thou hast revealed, and which we by thy grace have received. O Lord, make us kings and priests unto thee, a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a peculiar people, to show forth the praises of Him who hath called us from darkness into his marvellous light. Holiness becometh thy house, O Lord; may it be our thirst, and aim, and prayer; and do thou satisfy us according to thy mercy, and give us all that thou hast promised, and do for us and to us above all that we can either ask or think. We lie down under the shadow of thy wings; we pray for a continuance of thy protecting and preserving care; we implore a blessing upon all connected with us. We pray for the spread of thy kingdom. Take to

thee thy power and reign. Hear us, and help us, and deliver us, for the sake of Him in whom thou art always well pleased; and to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, we give all praise, and honour, and glory, now and evermore, world without end. Amen.

Tuesday Morning.

Scripture Reading—2 Samuel ii. 18–32.

May we, O Lord, our Father, and our God, believe on thy Son, whom thou hast set forth to be a propitiation through faith in his blood. May we have the Son, and so have life, and not come into condemnation. May we be born of God. Do thou keep us, so that the wicked one touch us not. May our souls prosper and be in health; may grace, and mercy, and truth, rest with us, and abide upon us all the day long. This day may we seek, first, thy kingdom and thy righteousness, that all other things may be added unto us. Help us, whether we eat, or drink, or whatsoever we do, to do all to the glory of thy holy name. Remember not against us, O Lord, our offences, nor the offences of our forefathers, but be merciful to us, and graciously forgive us; and do to us, and for us, exceeding abundantly, above all that we can ask or think. Bless all connected with us. This day prosper us with thy gracious presence, supply all our wants, alike of soul and body, provide for all our necessities. Never leave us, O Lord, we beseech thee; never forsake us. Our fathers trusted in thee; they trusted, and thou didst deliver them. Be thou our rock and our refuge, our portion upon earth, and our exceeding great reward throughout eternity. Come with us, O God, our guide, into all our duties and engagements this day. Help us in all we do and undertake evermore to feel, Thou God seest us. May we seek thy honour and glory; whether we eat or drink, may we do all to the glory of God. May we seek first thy kingdom and thy righteousness, and do thou add all other

things truly expedient for us. Command thy blessing on our basket and our store—our going out and coming in. Perfect that which concerneth us, O Lord. In thee we trust, may we never be confounded. Hear us, thy children, O gracious God, our Father who art in heaven, and help us, and bless us; and all we ask for this day is in the name and through the merits of Jesus Christ. And may the peace of God that passeth understanding, keep our hearts and minds continually, through Christ our Lord; and may the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst us, and abide with us always. Amen.

Tuesday Evening.

Scripture Reading.—Romans viii. 1–19.

Lord, may we be found in Christ the only Saviour, as the branch is in the vine; and to us, may we rejoice to know, there is no condemnation. May we show that we are thine, and accepted of thee, by walking, not after the flesh, but after the Spirit. May the righteousness of the law be fulfilled in us; may we have grace and strength, O Lord, to walk, not after the flesh, but after the Spirit. O Lord, give us thy Holy Ghost, that we may be spiritually minded, which is life and peace, and no more carnally minded, which is enmity against thee, and death here, and death hereafter. Help us, O God, evermore to seek to please thee. Give us, we beseech thee, the Spirit of Christ; for if we have not thy Spirit, we are none of his. Let the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead quicken our mortal bodies. Give us, O God, to cherish joyfully and thankfully the hope of the resurrection from among the dead. May we be led by thy Holy Spirit; may we receive from thee the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father. Make us the sons of God, and give us the happy assurance that we are so. May thy Spirit bear witness with us that we are the children of God: and if children, then

heirs: heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ. As we suffer with him, may we be glorified together with him. May we patiently bear the sufferings of this present life for his sake, knowing that these sufferings are not worthy to be compared with the glory that shall be revealed. O God, help us to feel this is not our rest, but that we are pilgrims, and strangers, and sojourners, looking for a city whose builder and maker is God. We thank thee, O most merciful God, for all the good and great things which thou hast made known to us sinners. May we be deeply thankful to thee. In our lives may we praise and glorify thee. Forgive, through the blood of Jesus, our unworthiness of all thy mercies, and this night and evermore let grace, mercy, and peace from thee, the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, be with us all. Amen.

Wednesday Morning.

Scripture Reading — 2 Samuel iii. 1–21.

O Lord our God, whom have we in heaven but thee? and there is none upon earth that we desire besides thee. Hold us by thy right hand, guide us by thy counsel, and at last receive us to thy kingdom and glory. O Lord, in whom we live, and move, and have our being, whose is the kingdom, the power, and the glory; we lift our hearts to thee, and thank thee for all the protection which we have experienced in the night that is now past, and for all the promises which thou hast made known to them that know and fear thee for days that are yet to come. We thank thee, above all, for thine inestimable love in the redemption of the world, through our Lord Jesus Christ. We thank thee for his perfect sacrifice, for his intercession at thy right hand, and for his promise to come again to receive us to himself, that where he is, there we may be also. We pray that thou wouldest be pleased to be with us this day, and to guide us by thy right hand, and be a

voice upon our right hand and upon our left, saying, This is the way; walk ye in it. We earnestly beseech thee, O Lord, to pardon all our sins and iniquities, through the precious blood and sacrifice of him who died for our sins, and rose again for our justification. May our hearts be renewed and sanctified by his Holy Spirit working in us that which is pleasing in thy pure and holy sight. We pray that thou wouldest open our eyes to understand the Scriptures; make thy word to prosper, to have free course, and to be glorified over all the earth. We pray that thou wouldest look upon all who are lying in darkness and in the shadow of death, visit them in thy mercy, send to them the tidings of a Saviour, and deliver them from darkness, and introduce them into thy marvellous light. Hear the sighing of the captive and prisoner. Be a Father to the orphan, and a Husband to the widow. Hear our prayers, and accept of our praises, through Jesus Christ, our Prince and our Redeemer. Amen.

Wednesday Evening.

SCRIPTURE READING — Romans viii. 20–39.

HEAVENLY Father, we come to thee as thy children, and we confess that the gold has become dim, and that the fine gold is changed, and that the whole creation by reason of man's transgression groaneth and travaileth in pain. We pray that that day may come soon, when it shall be delivered from the bondage of corruption, and share in the glorious liberty of the manifested sons of God. O Lord, pardon our sins, and deliver us from the influence and the power of sin more and more, day by day. May thy Holy Spirit help our infirmities, which are many, and strengthen us to triumph over them. We know not what we should pray for as we ought; oh may thy blessed Spirit make intercession within us, with groanings which cannot be uttered; and may thy dear Son intercede at thy right hand, saving to the uttermost all that go to thee through him. May

all things work for good to us, who love thee, and are, we trust, the called according to thy purpose. Blessed Lord, we rejoice to know that if thou be for us, none can be against us. May this be our deep and happy conviction. Thanks to thee, O Father, that thou didst not spare thine own Son, but delivered him up for us all. Trusting in him as our propitiation, accepting him as our Saviour, and the manifestation of thy love, may we rejoice in the conviction that thou wilt give us freely all things. Justify us, O Lord. Free us from the law; accept of us as thine own; seal us to the day of redemption. Let not death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, ever separate us from thy love, which is in Jesus Christ our Lord. Hold us by thy right hand. Keep us from falling. Grant us grace and glory. Be our shield and our sun. Refuse to us nothing that is good for us, for the sake of Him who died and is risen again, and who is at the right hand of thee, the Father, and ever maketh intercession for us, to whom be all honour and glory, now and ever. Amen.

Thursday Morning.

Scripture Reading — 2 Samuel iii. 22–39.

Lord, to whom can we go but unto thee: thou hast the words of everlasting life. We lift up our hearts to thee on this the morning of another day, and praise and thank thee that thou hast brought us to its light in health, and strength, and safety. We would give thanks unto thee the Lord, for thou art God, and thy mercy endureth for ever. May all men praise thee the Lord for thy goodness, and for thy wonderful works to the sons of men. This day, O Lord, give us, we beseech thee, our daily bread; give us health to earn it, and enjoy it. Strengthen us for every duty that devolves upon us in thy providence; prepare us for every trial that awaits us in

this life; make us more than conquerors, through Him that loved us, and gave himself for us. May nothing separate us from the love of God, which is in Jesus Christ our Lord. Give us the spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father. Deliver us from the spirit of bondage, which inclines us to fear. Let neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers separate us from thy love, which is in Jesus Christ, our Lord. May we hate sin. Through the blood of Jesus, may we be delivered from its curse. By the work of thy Holy Spirit within us, may we be delivered from its power. May our path be like the shining light, that shineth more and more unto the perfect day. May we grow in grace as we grow in days and in years, ripening for thy kingdom, and becoming more and more meet for the inheritance of the saints in light. O Most Merciful, arise and plead thine own cause upon the earth, and send forth thy light and thy truth, and deliver the earth from the influence of Satan, and sin, and error, and superstition. Turn men's hearts to thyself, Almighty God. Comfort thine own church by pouring down on it the influences of thy Holy Spirit. Hear these our humble petitions, for our Redeemer's sake. Amen.

Thursday Evening.

Scripture Reading — Romans ix. 1–26.

O Lord our heavenly Father, we, thy children, lift up our hearts unto thee at the close of another day, and thank thee that we have seen its evening in mercy, in health, and peace. We pray that others may have the privileges which we enjoy, and that they who are yet aliens to the commonwealth of Israel may be introduced into the marvellous light and gracious privileges of thy children. We pray especially for the seed of Abraham according to the flesh, whose are the fathers, and of whom, as concerning the flesh, Christ came, who is over all, God blessed for ever. May it please thee to bring them

to a knowledge of the truth. May it please thee to show them that Jesus is the Messiah of whom Moses and the prophets speak. May it please thee to prepare them as vessels of glory, and to hasten that day when they shall acknowledge Christ to be the light that lightens the Gentiles, and the glory of his people Israel. O Lord, may Jew and Gentile build upon that Rock which thou hast laid in Zion, equally satisfied that whosoever believeth in him shall not be ashamed. Have mercy upon us, O God, we beseech thee. Have compassion upon us, for we flee to thee to cover us. May it please thee to forgive us all our sins and unworthiness, and impute not to us our iniquities, for the sake of Him who loved us and died for us. May it please thee to bless all near and dear to us here or elsewhere, and to unite in Christ them that are separated by circumstances. We pray that the day may dawn speedily, when all flesh shall see the salvation of our God, and the whole earth shall be filled with thy glory, and all shall know thee, from the least even to the greatest. Raise up in all parts of the land faithful ministers of Christ. Give us grace meekly to hear thy word. Hear our petitions, and help us and bless us, for Christ's sake. Amen.

Friday Morning.

Scripture Reading — 2 Samuel iv.

After thy loving-kindness, O Lord, have mercy upon us; according to the multitude of thy tender mercies, blot out all our transgressions. Wash us, we beseech thee, in the efficacy of the atoning blood of Christ Jesus, from all iniquity, and cleanse us, in his name and for his sake, from all our sins. We acknowledge our transgressions unto thee, O Lord, and would not conceal nor cloak them in thy holy sight. We have sinned against thee; we have done wickedly in thy sight; we

were shapen in iniquity, and in sin did our mothers conceive us. Thou art just when thou speakest, and clear when thou judgest. Enter not, therefore, O Lord, into judgment with thy servants, for in thy sight shall no man living be justified. If thou, O Lord, shouldest mark iniquity, O Lord, who could stand. But there is forgiveness with thee, that thou mayest be feared; with our God there is plenteous redemption. Thou delightest in mercy. Hide, therefore, thy face from our sins, we beseech thee, and blot out all our iniquities, through Christ, the Saviour. Create in us a clean heart, O God, by thy Holy Spirit. Cast us not away from thy presence, and take not thy Holy Spirit from us. This day keep us, defend us, bless us; supply our temporal wants; give us, above all, living bread; save us from all sin, deliver us from all evil; strengthen us for all that lies before us; keep our eyes from tears, our feet from falling, our souls from death. Grant us the blessing that maketh rich, and addeth no sorrow. Help us to set our hearts upon things that are above, not upon things that are below. May we seek first thy kingdom and thy righteousness, and so may all other things be added unto us. May all the evils, and cruelties, and disturbance introduced into our world by sin, be soon suppressed by the utter destruction of sin and banishment of Satan, and reign of Jesus Christ the Saviour. Let thy kingdom come, O Lord. Hasten the descent of the New Jerusalem, and the blessedness of the latter days. Let the Sun of righteousness arise and shine, and let all kings and nations come to the brightness of his rising. Hear these our prayers, for the sake of Jesus Christ, thy only Son, and our only Redeemer, to whom with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, we ascribe the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Friday Evening.

Scripture Reading — Romans x.

O Lord our God, our hearts' desire and prayer to thee is, that we may be saved alike from the curse and power of sin. Heavenly Father, may we not remain ignorant of thy righteousness, or go about to establish our own righteousness, refusing to submit to the righteousness of God. May we have light and grace from on high, to see that Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to every one that believeth. On him may we trust, for his sake may we hope; in his name may we ask for pardon, as we now do ask, and sanctification, and adoption, and grace, and glory. Help us, O most merciful Father, to do thy will, and to delight in thy statutes. O Lord, we desire in the world and in the church, in our family and in public life, to confess with our mouth the Lord Jesus, as we believe in our hearts that thou hast raised him from the dead. May we never be ashamed of the gospel of Christ, but rejoice in it, as the power of God, and the wisdom of God, unto salvation to every one that believeth. Make us proofs and evidences of its power. O Lord, may the ends of the earth hear the glad sound, and see the beautiful feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things. O God, may it no longer be said that thou hast all day long stretched forth thy hand to a disobedient and a gainsaying people. Bring the Jews to Jesus; let the children of Abraham become the children of God; hasten the fulness of the Gentiles. May all flesh partake of the influences of thy Holy Spirit, and the whole earth be filled with thy glory. May it no more be asked among us, Who hath believed our report? Be found, O Lord, of many that seek thee not; awaken increasing numbers to seek thee. Pour down thy Holy Spirit upon us and ours, O Father and Fountain of good. Hear our prayers, O Lord, in heaven thy dwelling-place; forgive us all our sins and our unworthiness, and bless us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Saturday Morning.

Scripture Reading—2 Samuel v. 1–21.

Blessed Lord, in whom we live, and move, and have our being, teach us to pray. We know not what to pray for as we ought; but unto thee all hearts are open, and all desires known, and from thee no secrets are hid. Do thou cleanse the thoughts of our hearts, supply the wants that thou seest, withhold the judgments that we have observed, pardon all our sins, through Him who died to make the atonement. Sanctify our hearts by thy holy and blessed Spirit. Enable us to set thee before us, and in all our ways to acknowledge thee, that thou mayest direct us. O Lord, may we not lay up treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal; but give us grace to lay up for ourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through and steal. May our heart and treasure be where Christ is. May we seek those things that are above, and not things that are beneath; for the things that are above are eternal, and the things that are below are temporal. This day, O Lord, may our light so shine before men, that they may see our good works, and glorify thee, our Father, who art in heaven. We pray that we may be either the light of the world, or the salt of the earth. May we love our enemies, bless them that curse us, do good to them that hate us, pray for them that despitefully use us and persecute us. May we prove ourselves before the world the children of our Father in heaven, who maketh his sun to rise upon the evil and the good, and sendeth rain upon the just and upon the unjust. May we be perfect, even as our Father in heaven is perfect. May the truths of thy holy word sink deep into our hearts, and be as good seed cast into good soil, bringing forth much fruit to thy honour and glory. Make us, O Lord, good trees; that we may bring forth

good fruit. May the world know that we are thine by our fruits. May we hear the sayings of the Lord, and do them. May our trust be in the Rock of ages; may our only Saviour be the Son of God; and in his name, and for his sake, may we be this day accepted, and blessed, and owned of thee; and unto thy name in Christ Jesus be glory, thanksgiving, and praise, world without end. Amen.

Saturday Evening.

Scripture Reading — Romans xi. 1–21.

O thou, who art the God of Abraham, of Isaac, and of Jacob, who hast not cast away thy people whom thou hast foreknown, we draw near to thy footstool this evening to ask thy blessing, thy mercy, and thy peace. Save us, O God, by thy grace. Justify us freely through the righteousness that is in Christ Jesus. Help us with our whole hearts to trust in him who is able to save to the uttermost all that come to thee through him, seeing he ever liveth to make intercession for them. Accept of our humble thanksgiving for thy guiding and protecting mercies, experienced by us and ours this day. Continue thy loving-kindness during the silent watches of the night. Visit, in thy mercy, the sons and daughters of affliction. Hasten, O God, the riches of the Gentiles, and the fulness of the Jews; and if the casting away of the Jew has been the reconciling of the world, speedily, O Lord, let the receiving of thy people be to the Gentiles as life from the dead. Make us branches of the living Vine, members of his body, heirs of his kingdom and glory. May we close our days and our nights in peace with thee, and with all mankind. What thou hast seen amiss during the past week, mercifully forgive. What thou hast enabled us to do in thy cause, and for thy glory, do thou prosper mightily. Enable us to say, with no feigned lips,

but from the heart, Now, O Lord, lettest thou thy servants depart in peace, for our eyes have seen thy salvation, which thou hast prepared before the face of all people, to be a light to lighten the Gentiles, and the glory of thy people Israel. Look down in mercy on all captives and prisoners, on all widows and fatherless children, on all that are desolate and oppressed. Be with all travellers by sea and land. Preserve to our use the kindly fruits of the earth. Spare useful lives. Pour down thy Holy Spirit upon thy whole church. Clothe thy ministering servants with thy salvation. Make thy chosen people joyful. And, in the name of Jesus, we further close our petitions, saying, Our Father, which art in heaven, &c.

THIRTIETH WEEK.

Sabbath Morning.

SCRIPTURE READING — Psalm lviii.

THIS day, blessed Lord, we draw near to thy footstool, in the name of Him who is the way, the truth, and the life; and we praise and bless thee for its blessed light, and for all the privileges of which it is the sign. May we be in the Spirit on this, the Lord's day, and have grace to worship thee, who art a Spirit, in spirit and in truth. Let the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts be acceptable in thy sight, O Lord, our strength and our Redeemer. We thank thee for our creation, and our preservation, and all the blessings of this life. Above all, we praise and bless thee for thine inestimable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ. We thank thee, the Father of mercies, that thou didst so love the world, that thou gavest thine only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him may not perish, but have eternal life.

May this glad sound be heard in every land. May the tidings of a Saviour reach every heart. Hasten that day when thy kingdom shall come, and all flesh shall see and taste the salvation of our God. We beseech thee to accompany with power the preaching of thy truth, this day. Do thou build up thy people in their most holy faith. Convince, convert, and restore all such as have gone astray. Strengthen such as stand; comfort the weak-minded; give beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, and the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness. We humbly beseech thee to forgive us all our sins and offences—the sins of our solemn things, and the sins of our daily walk — our sins of thought, and word, and deed — through that perfect sacrifice made once for all, for the remission of the sins of the guilty. O thou who art the God that judgest the earth, we rejoice to know that there is forgiveness with thee, that thou mayest be feared, and that with our God there is plenteous redemption. Blot out all our sins, forgive us all our trespasses, and grant us the blessedness of that man whose sins are forgiven, whose iniquities are blotted out, and unto whom the Lord imputeth no transgression. May thy Spirit be with us this day; and sanctify, seal, teach, and guide us. May the Spirit of wisdom, of understanding, of grace, and of a sound mind, be poured out upon all thy church,— upon its ministers apart, and upon its people apart. May thy word have free course, and be glorified. May the evil designs of the wicked be subverted, and themselves reclaimed; may the way of the just be established. Hear our prayers in heaven, thy dwelling-place, for the sake of Him whom thou hearest always; unto whom, with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, we ascribe all honour and glory, now and evermore. Amen.

Sabbath Evening.

Scripture Reading—Psalm lix.

O Lord, we rejoice in the enjoyment of another day of the Son of man. We thank thee for our sabbaths, the types and earnests of the rest that remaineth for the people of God. Give us evermore sabbath-day joys, and sabbath-day hearts; and let thy blessing rest upon us and ours, and upon thy whole church, this evening, and evermore. We will sing of thy power, in creation, providence, redemption. We will sing aloud of thy mercy; for thou hast been our defence and our refuge in the day of trouble. Unto thee, O Lord, our strength, we will sing; for thou art our defence, and the God of our mercy. O God, our shield, do thou protect and save us. Pardon all our sins, we beseech thee, and be merciful to us, and forgive us, in Christ's name, and for Christ's sake. Grant us thy Holy Spirit, the Spirit of wisdom, of understanding, of grace, of supplication, and of prayer. May thy Holy Spirit be poured out upon thy whole church. O thou who rulest in Jacob unto the ends of the earth, may thy ministering servants be clothed with salvation, and thy people shout aloud for joy. Hasten the day when thy church shall be delivered from all her enemies, and defended from all who now rise up against her, and her righteousness shall break forth like brightness, and her salvation like a lamp that burneth. O Lord, feed us with the bread of life; enlighten our ignorance; strengthen our weaknesses; remove our sins; give power to the preaching of thy gospel, wherever this day set forth. Let a blessing rest upon thy saints throughout the whole earth; be with all missionaries in distant lands; hasten the restoration of the Jews, the fulness of the Gentiles, and all the glories of the age that is to come. Mercifully hear our petitions, O Lord, we beseech thee; and when thou hearest, graciously forgive us, in the name and through the merits of Jesus Christ. May grace, mercy, and peace, from Father

Son, and Holy Ghost, one God, be with us all this night. May the grace that passeth understanding keep our hearts and minds continually, through Christ our Lord. May the God of all peace, who brought again from the dead the Lord Jesus Christ, that great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant; make us perfect in every good work to do his will, working in us that which is well-pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Monday Morning.

Scripture Reading — 2 Samuel vi. 1–19.

O Lord, whom to know is happiness and peace, and under the shadow of whose wings there is deliverance, we draw near to thy footstool in the name of Jesus Christ, and adore and worship thee, the First and the Last, who wast, and art, and art to come. We come to thee as children to a father, beseeching thee to receive us graciously, and to pour into our hearts the Spirit of adoption, and to give us that blessing which David could not give. Let us rejoice and be glad in thee. May we love thy salvation, and magnify thy name continually. O Lord, pardon all our sins, we entreat thee, in the name and through the mediation of Him in whom thou art always well-pleased, and for whose sake thou art just, while thou justifiest them that believe. Hide thy face from all our sins, and blot out all our iniquities. Wash us thoroughly from our iniquity, and cleanse us from our sin. According to thy loving-kindness, and the multitude of thy tender mercies, blot out our transgressions. We acknowledge our transgressions, and our sins are ever before us. Against thee, thee only, have we sinned, and done evil in thy sight, that thou mightest be justified when thou speakest, and clear when thou judgest. Behold, we were shapen in sin, and in iniquity did our mothers conceive us; create in us clean hearts, and renew right spirits

within us. Grant us those sacrifices which thou esteemest,—a broken spirit, even a broken and a contrite heart. Open thou our lips, and our mouths shall show forth thy praise, and our tongues shall sing aloud of thy righteousness. Be with us this day in our going out and coming in. In all we undertake and put our hand to, be thou with us. Perfect thy strength in our weakness; make thy grace sufficient for us; be a voice upon our right hand and upon our left, saying, This is the way; walk ye in it. Deliver us from all evil, and lead us into no temptation. Help us to hallow thy name, and to do thy will, and to seek first thy kingdom and thy righteousness, that all other things may be added unto us. Hear these our prayers, and accept of our praises; do us all the good that we truly need, through Jesus Christ, our Prince and our Redeemer. Amen.

Monday Evening.

Scripture Reading—Romans xii.

O Lord, this day we would present ourselves living sacrifices, holy and acceptable unto God, as our reasonable service, on Christ the altar that sanctifies the gift. Grant that this day, while in the world, we may not be conformed to the world, but may we be transformed by the renewing of our minds, that we may prove what is thy good, and acceptable, and perfect will. O Lord, may we, according to our situation in life, think soberly, as God hath dealt to every one of us the measure of faith. May we wait on our duties, whatever those duties may be, in thy providence. May we love thee, and our brethren of mankind, without dissimulation. Give us grace, O God, to abhor that which is evil, and to cleave to that which is good. May thy Holy Spirit make us kindly affectioned to one another in brotherly love, in honour preferring one another. May we not be slothful in business, but show to all mankind that true religion is the inspiration, and not the obstruction, of our

duties to each other. Make us fervent in spirit; may we serve thee, the Lord, with our whole heart. O God, grant that we may rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, continue instant in prayer. May we hear the cry of the needy, and cheerfully distribute to the necessity of saints. May our home be the scene of hospitality. Enable us to bless them that persecute us, to bless, and to curse not. As members one of another, may we rejoice with them that do rejoice, and weep with them that weep. O God, help us not to mind high things, and not to be wise in our own conceits. Give us grace to recompense to no man evil for evil. Help us to provide things honest in the sight of all men; may we feed our enemies. As much as possible, and lieth in us, may we live peaceably with all men. May we never be overcome of evil, but overcome evil by the manifestation of things that are good. Pardon our frequent breaches of these the prescriptions of thy grace, through that blood which cleanseth us from all sin; and enable us in all the rest of our life hereafter to redeem the time, and to glorify thee our Father in heaven. Hear our prayers, through Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.

Tuesday Morning.

Scripture Reading—2 Samuel vii. 1–17.

O thou, who reignest in the heavens, whose kingdom is everlasting, and whose mercy endureth for ever, we beseech thee to hear us this day, and to put into our hearts the love of whatsoever things are pure, and just, and honest, and lovely, and of good report. O Lord, we praise and bless thee for all thy goodness and loving-kindness that have followed us from earliest infancy until now. We thank thee that thou hast taken us from the fearful pit, and from the miry clay, and set our feet upon a rock, establishing our goings. We thank thee that thou hast given Jesus Christ as a propitiation for our sins, and

that in him we have acceptance before thee, and through his precious blood pardon for all our iniquities. O Lord, we heartily beseech thee to blot out all our sins in his name and for his sake, and to justify us freely, and to enable us to feel that there is no condemnation to them that are in Christ Jesus. Feed thy people Israel, O Lord; glorify thy name in all the earth; deliver thy people from trouble and affliction as may be expedient for them, and hasten the coming of the Son of man. Chasten us, O Lord, as a father chasteneth his children, in mercy, not in wrath. Let not thy mercy depart from us for ever. Establish thy house, thy kingdom, and thy throne upon the earth through all generations. Let the kingdoms of this world become the kingdoms of our God and of his Christ, and let him reign for ever and ever. Hear our petitions, O Lord, we beseech thee, for this day's daily bread. As our day is, let our strength be. Guide, keep, and deliver us. Let no evil come near us; let thy blessing be upon us; let the peace that passeth understanding keep our hearts and minds continually. When heart and flesh shall faint and fail, be thou the strength of our hearts, and our portion for ever. Mercifully hear our petitions, O Lord. Be thou our God for ever and ever; be thou our guide even unto death; and throughout eternity be our exceeding great and unspeakable reward. These and all other mercies, for ourselves and all our brethren of mankind, we humbly ask in the name of Him who is able to save to the uttermost all that come unto God through him, seeing he ever liveth to make intercession for us. Now unto Him who is able to keep us from falling, and to present us before the presence of his glory with exceeding joy; to the only wise God our Saviour, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, now and evermore. Amen.

Tuesday Evening.

Scripture Reading — Romans xiii.

O Lord, may we adorn the doctrine we profess, so that the world may see that thy grace makes us better subjects of earthly governments, better parents and children, and masters and servants. We beseech thee, O Lord, to bless our country, our president, our government, and all under it, and over us, in lawful authority. May our rulers be a terror not to good works, but to the evil. May our president be a faithful administrator of the laws over all the people. May we be subject, not only for wrath, but also for conscience' sake. Give us grace, O Lord, to render to all their dues; tribute to whom tribute is due; custom to whom custom; fear to whom fear; honour to whom honour. May our conduct upon earth commend the religion that we love, and honour the name of that Saviour, which is above every name. O Lord, write all thy commandments on our hearts, we beseech thee. Give us grace to owe no man anything, but to love thee the Lord our God with all our heart, and our brother even as ourselves. O God, may we keep thy law, not that we may be justified thereby, but that we may show that the fruits of righteousness are love, joy, peace, meekness, temperance, patience. May they that sleep awake. O God, feeling that the night is far spent, and that the day is at hand, may we live as the expectants of so great glory. May we cast off the works of darkness; may we put on the armour of light. May we walk honestly, as in the day; not in rioting and drunkenness, not in chambering and wantonness, not in strife and envying. May we put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh to fulfil the lusts thereof. Forgive, O God, the past. Let the blood of Christ Jesus plead for us; let his glorious righteousness cover us. Justify us freely in his name. We plead his work, his sufferings, and his righteousness; and we beseech thee, for his sake, to forgive us, and to bless us. Write all thy truths upon

our hearts; satisfy our souls with the riches of thy grace; bless us with all peace and joy in believing. Do thou keep us by thy mighty power. Watch over us in the silent watches of the night; spare us, if it please thee, to the light of another day; and bless us, and let thy mercy be upon us, as we trust in thee. All we beg is for Jesus' name's sake. Amen.

Wednesday Morning.

Scripture Reading — 2 Samuel vii. 18–29.

O Lord God of Abraham, and Isaac, and Jacob, God of David thy servant, who are we, and what is our house, that thou hast brought us hitherto? Goodness and mercy have followed us all the days of our life. Bless the Lord, O our souls, and all that is within us, bless his holy name. Thou hast done us great things for thy word's sake, and according to thy great compassion. O Lord, truly thou art great, and greatly to be praised. There is none like thee, nor any God beside thee. Thou hast privileged our nation, and made it great, and powerful, and renowned amidst the nations of the earth. O help us to feel how responsible we are, as the children of great mercies, and the subjects of great blessings. Help us to magnify thy name, O thou who art the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel, and our God. Thou only art God, and thy words are true. Make all thy goodness to pass before us, and proclaim thyself to us, the Lord God, merciful and gracious, long-suffering, abundant in goodness and truth, keeping mercy for thousands, forgiving iniquity, transgression, and sin. May it please thee this day, O Lord to be with us, and to strengthen us for every duty that belongs to us, and to prepare us for every trial that awaits us, and to enable us, whether we suffer or rejoice, ever to come to thee, and seek thy grace according to our necessity and our time. O Lord, may we cast our burden upon thee, and do thou sustain us. Number

us with the righteous, and with thy saints, and suffer us not to be moved. Deliver our souls, O Lord, when the battle is against us. Save us alive, O thou who savest by thy right hand. We will call upon thy name, and glorify it; and do thou hear us, and help us, and have mercy upon us. We will praise thee, O Lord, and in thy name will we rejoice all the day long. Thy vows are on us; help us to render praise unto thee. Often hast thou delivered our souls from death; thou keepest our feet from falling; may we walk before thee in the land of the living, and let our light so shine before us, that others, seeing our good works, may glorify thee our Father in heaven. Provide for us, and for all connected with us, grace, and glory, and every good thing. Pardon all our sins and trespasses of thought, and word, and deed, through the mediation of Jesus Christ. Say to each of us, "Thy sins be forgiven thee." Hide thy face from our sins, O God. Create clean hearts and renew right spirits within us. Sanctify us through thy truth — thy word is truth. Withhold from us judgments we have justly merited; give us mercies which Christ has truly purchased; and these and all other blessings we humbly ask in the name of our only Mediator and Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Wednesday Evening.

Scripture Reading — Romans xiv.

O Lord, our Father, of whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named, give us the spirit of charity and Christian forbearance. May the precious truths that we have now read be deeply impressed upon our hearts. May we not judge, that we may not be judged. May we bear with one another, and may none of us live to himself; but whether we live, may we live unto the Lord, and whether we die, may we die in the Lord; whether, therefore, we live or die, may we be the Lord's. O God, grant that the day may soon come, when every knee

shall bow to Jesus, and every tongue shall confess to him. Grant, we beseech thee, that that kingdom which is not meat and drink, but righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost, may be established in every heart, may spread in every land, and speedily fill the whole earth with its pure, holy, and happy influences. O Lord, give us the spirit of wisdom, of grace, of supplication, of prayer, and of a sound mind. We thank thee for all the mercies, privileges, and protection of another day. We thank thee that thou hast enabled us to see its close in health and strength, and in the possession and enjoyment of many mercies. We thank thee, above all, for that blessed Saviour, in whom all the promises are yea and amen, through whom we have access to thee, and for whose sake we beseech thee of thy great compassion to forgive us all our iniquities, and to impute not to us our transgressions. Graciously hear us, O Lord. Let thy mercy be upon us, as we trust in thee. Teach us thy will. Open to us the treasures of thy word. Gladden us with thy salvation. May we walk in the light of thy countenance, and glory in thy name, and be exalted in thy righteousness. Open thou our lips, and our mouths shall show forth thy praise. Show us thy mercy, grant us thy salvation; and all we beg is for the Redeemer's sake. Amen.

Thursday Morning.

Scripture Reading—2 Samuel x. 1–14.

Whom have we in heaven, O Lord, but thee? and there is none upon earth our hearts desire beside thee. Our heart and our flesh faint and fail, but thou art the strength of our hearts, and our portion for ever. It is good for us O Lord, to draw near unto thee. We put our trust in thee the Lord our God; give us wisdom and grace from on high to declare all thy works, and thy marvellous goodness to the children of men. Make haste to help us, O Lord our God; pour down thy Holy

Spirit upon us, and upon all near and dear to us, and bless us. Take not thy Holy Spirit from us; restore to us the joys of thy salvation. We thank thee for all the mercies of another night, for thy protecting and preserving goodness. We thank thee for health and strength, and the supply of our daily returning wants. May we see thee as the giver of all good things, from the least even unto the greatest. We thank thee, above all, for the knowledge of a Saviour, and for thy holy word which reveals it, and for the hopes of thy kingdom, and for the happiness of thine own. Continue thy great loving-kindness unto us, O God. May our strength be in thee. May we go on from strength to strength through this present world, until at length we appear before thee in Zion. O Lord, our shield, look thou upon the face of thine Anointed. Be to us a sun and a shield; give unto us grace and glory; withhold no good thing from us, and from all that walk uprightly. Forgive all the iniquity of thy people; cover all our sins; bring back the captivity of Jacob; revive us again; be not angry with us for ever; turn us, O God of our salvation, and let mercy and goodness meet together over us, and let righteousness and peace kiss each other. Guide us by thy counsel this day; hold up our goings; deliver us from all that is evil; according to the greatness of thy power, preserve us; help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of thy name, and deliver us, and purge away our sins, for Jesus' sake; and so shall we, and all the sheep of thy pasture, give thee thanks for ever. Be our God, and the God of our friends and relatives, and all who are near and dear to us; and when thou hast answered the purposes of thy providence with us here below, receive us to thy right hand, where there are joys and pleasures for ever. Hear us in heaven thy dwelling-place, and help us, and bless us; and all that we ask is in the name, and through the merits of Jesus Christ. And unto him who is able to keep us from falling, and to present us faultless before thy presence with exceeding joy, to the only wise God our Saviour, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, both now and ever. Amen.

Thursday Evening.

Scripture Reading — Romans xv. 1–17.

O merciful and gracious God, our heavenly Father, pour into our hearts the beautiful spirit of the gospel of Christ Jesus. Make us more like him, and more and more to live, and walk, and run in the way of his commandments. May we seek to please our neighbour to his good for edification, even as Christ pleased not himself. May we be honoured at that day, because of the reproaches of them that reproached thee falling upon him who is our substitute and Saviour. O God of patience and of all consolation, grant that we may be more and more like-minded one toward another according to Christ Jesus. Heavenly Father, may we with one mind and one mouth glorify thee, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. May we ever feel in our inmost hearts that circumcision is nothing, and that uncircumcision is nothing, but a new creature. O God of all hope, fill us with all joy and peace in believing, and grant that we may abound in hope through the power of the Holy Ghost. O Lord, hasten that blessed day when the Gentiles shall glorify thee for thy mercy, when they shall rejoice and praise the Lord, and all the people shall laud thee. Let the Redeemer's name be exalted above every name; let the nations bless him, and be blessed in him; let the whole earth be filled with his glory. We thank thee for thy promises, which are yea and amen, and that all shall know thee from the least to the greatest. We thank thee for the bright hopes thou hast given us of an approaching day, when the knowledge of thee shall cover the earth, as the waters cover the channels of the great deep. Give us confidence in thy word, the sure hope of the fulfilment of thy promises. May work while it is called to-day; may we be useful to thy church and mankind, being blessings and not blots in society. O merciful Father, by whom kings reign, and governments are established, may ours ever be embosomed in righteousness,

holiness, and truth. Bless all in authority. May they fear thee, and speak and act as in thy hearing, and for thy glory. Keep us during the silent hours of the night; let no evil come nigh our dwelling; let thy presence envelope us; may thy power protect us, and thy blessing, which maketh rich and addeth no sorrow, be upon us and ours this night and evermore, through Jesus Christ, our Prince and our Redeemer. Amen.

Friday Morning.

Scripture Reading — 2 Samuel xi. 1–17.

Have mercy upon us, O Lord; according to thy loving-kindness, and the multitude of thy tender mercies, blot out our transgressions, through Jesus Christ the Saviour. Wash us thoroughly from our sins, and cleanse us from our iniquities, in the name of Him who died, the just for the unjust, to bring us unto thee. We acknowledge our transgressions unto thee, O Lord, and our sins are ever before us. Against thee, thee only, have we sinned, and done evil in thy sight, that thou mightest be justified when thou speakest, and clear when thou judgest. Behold, we were shapen in iniquity, and in sin did our mothers conceive us. Thou desirest truth in the inward parts. Oh do thou purge us with hyssop, and we shall be clean; wash us in the blood of sprinkling, and we shall be whiter than snow. May we be clad in raiment white and clean, which is the righteousness of saints. Make us to hear joy and gladness. Hide thy face from our sins, and blot out all our iniquities. Create in us clean hearts, O God; renew right spirits within us; cast us not away from thy presence, and take not thy Holy Spirit from us. Restore unto us the joys of thy salvation; uphold us with thy free Spirit; deliver us, O God, from blood-guiltiness. Open thou our lips, and our mouths shall show forth thy praise. Grant us, by thy

Holy Spirit, those sacrifices that thou delightest in,—a broken spirit, a broken and a contrite heart, which thou wilt not despise. We would pray, not only for ourselves this day, but for thy whole church; that it would please thee to build up the walls of Jerusalem, and to do good unto Zion. May we present ourselves, soul, and body, and spirit, living sacrifices unto thee, which is our reasonable service. Give us this day's bread; deliver us from this day's evils; strengthen us for this day's duties; prepare us for its trials; pour upon us new blessings; and all we ask is in the name and through the merits of him who ever liveth to make intercession for us at thy right hand. And unto him who loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood, and hath made us kings and priests unto God, even the Father; to him be glory and dominion for ever. Behold, he cometh with clouds, and every eye shall see him, and they also who pierced him; may we welcome his coming, and be found without rebuke, and spotless, at that day. All we ask is in his name. Amen.

Friday Evening.

Scripture Reading — Romans xv. 18–33.

O Lord, we desire to close this day, as we commenced it, by thanking thee for thy mercies, and supplicating thy blessing upon us. We desire to praise and bless thee, that, according to thy holy word, thou hast through mighty signs and wonders, by the power and Spirit of God, done great things upon the earth. We thank thee for the progress thy gospel has made, for the conversions that are daily taking place in the earth, and for the sure hopes thou hast taught us to cherish, that thy kingdom shall come and thy name be hallowed, and that from the rising of the sun to the going down of the same there shall be presented unto thee incense and a pure offering. O thou who art able to keep us from falling, do thou strengthen us, and uphold us evermore. O God of all mercy and forgive-

ness, who hast no pleasure in the death of the sinner, but rather that he should turn from his wickedness and live, be pleased to blot out all our sins, to forgive us all our trespasses, to justify us freely through Him who was made sin for us that we might be made the righteousness of God by him. O Lord, give us thy Holy Spirit, that there may be in us the most excellent grace of charity. May we be ready to communicate, given to good works, rich in grace, heirs of the kingdom of heaven. We humbly beseech thee to look upon all that suffer and are sick, and comfort and relieve them. Look upon the dying, prepare them for their great and final change. May the young remember thee, their Creator, in the days of their youth, and may we all seek first thy kingdom and thy righteousness, that all other things may be added unto us. Guide us by thy counsel, hold us by thy right hand, strengthen us by thy might, refresh us by thy grace. Teach us, O Lord, thou fountain of wisdom. Inspire us, O thou who art the Father of our spirits. Deliver us from every evil; lead us into no temptation; fulfil all thy promises respecting us; give us growing confidence in thy fatherly love and in thy protecting power. Hear these our petitions; accept of these our praises. Cleanse thou us from secret sins; let them not have dominion over us. All we beg is through Him who died for us; and unto Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, one God, be glory and honour, thanksgiving and praise, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Saturday Morning.

Scripture Reading — 2 Samuel xii. 1–20.

O Lord, open our eyes that we may see alike our own transgressions against thee and against our brethren of mankind, and truly and unfeignedly repent of the same, receiving of

thee remission and forgiveness of sins through Jesus Christ. Deal not with us, O God, according to our deserts, but in thy mercy, and of thy tender compassion, cast our sins behind thy back. Forget and forgive our innumerable transgressions. Hear the voice of the blood of sprinkling, that speaketh better things than the blood of Abel. Our own hearts condemn us; thou art greater than our hearts, and knowest all things. Let not those judgments descend upon us which we have justly and most righteously provoked; but spare us, good Lord; spare thy people redeemed with precious blood; be not angry with us for ever. Be pleased, O most merciful Father, to give us thy Holy Spirit, — thou who givest the Spirit unto them that ask thee, — that he may sanctify us wholly, that he may extirpate from our hearts every evil appetite, passion, and desire, and present our whole spirit and soul and body blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. O Lord, thou art our Father, and we are the children of thine adoption; thou reignest in the heavens above all, where our home is. May thy name be sanctified and hallowed in us and by us; may thy kingdom come, and the kingdoms of this world become the kingdoms of our God and of his Christ. May thy will be done in us, and by us, even as it is done in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. Feed us with the better bread that cometh down from heaven; forgive us all our sins, —sins that we know, and sins that we have forgotten,—through Christ Jesus; and grant us grace to forgive those who have injured us; deliver us from all that is really evil; lead us into no temptation too strong for us. Hear this our prayer, O our Father; and unto God, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, we ascribe the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, now and evermore. Amen.

Saturday Evening.

Scripture Reading — Romans xvi. 1-20.

O Lord, we approach thy footstool, and kneel together before the throne of grace, and entreat thee for Jesus' sake to hear us, and help us, and bless us. We thank thee that thou hast brought us to the close of another day, and of another week. Many have been the mercies that we have tasted at thy hand; and undeserved, O Lord, are the blessings which thou hast so richly and liberally given us. We thank thee for our creation, our preservation, and all the blessings of this life. Above all, we thank and praise thee for the gift of our precious Saviour, and for all we are taught to hope for through him, and for his sake. We thank thee for thy Holy Spirit; we praise thee for thy holy word; and we pray that we may live as those who are sensible of so great mercies, and consecrate ourselves, soul, and body, and spirit, unto thee, who hast so loved and so blessed us. May our obedience come abroad unto all men. May we serve the Lord Jesus Christ with our whole heart, and labour to cause neither divisions nor offences contrary to the doctrine which we have learned. O thou who art the God of peace, bruise Satan under our feet shortly. May we resist him, that he may flee from us. In thy strength may we overcome. May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with us and ours. O Lord, graciously strengthen us for all our duties, prepare us for all our trials. In affliction, may we be patient; in difficulties, may we be courageous. When reviled, may we revile not again. Give us grace to run the race set before us with patience, looking unto Jesus, the author and the finisher of our faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, despising the shame. May we receive and assist thy people, and succour them in all things according to their needs, and our means. O Lord, hear our petitions in heaven thy dwelling-place. If spared to see the light of the sabbath day, may it be to us a day of gladness and of joy.

Now unto him that hath power to stablish us according to the gospel and the preaching of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery which was kept secret since the world began, but now is made manifest, and by the Scriptures of the prophets, according to the commandment of the everlasting God made known to all nations for the obedience of faith; to God only wise, be glory through Jesus Christ for ever. Our Father, &c.

THIRTY-FIRST WEEK.

Sabbath Morning.

Scripture Reading — Psalm lx.

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. O Lord, our heavenly Father, save with thy right hand the children of thy love, we beseech thee. Give a banner to all that fear thee, and let it be displayed because of thy truth. Gilead is thine, Manasseh also is thine. The earth is thine, and the fulness thereof. Bring us, O Lord, thy people, to the city that hath foundations. Give us help from trouble. Through thee may we do valiantly, and be more than conquerors over sin and Satan. This day open our ears to hear and our hearts to receive the joyful sound. Give thy ministers thy blessing and aid. We adore thee, who makest the earth to tremble, as the Creator and Preserver of the world. As the work of thy hands, and the creatures of thy providence, we draw near to thee, and bless thee. In thee we live, and move, and have our being. We adore and worship thee above all as our Father, and the giver of Christ thine inestimable gift. We look back on thy mercies of old, and we bless thee for the knowledge that thou hast given us, and for the comfort

that thou hast provided for thy people in all ages; but especially we would bless thee for the gift of a Saviour, through whose mediation alone we have access to thee. In his perfect righteousness we rejoice to think that thy perfect law is magnified, and thy justice satisfied. In him we have plenteous redemption. Enable us to look forward to the day when thou shalt be revealed in thy glorious majesty, when this world shall be made the kingdom of thy beloved Son, and thy faithful people shall see thee as thou art. Give fresh impulse to the truth this day, O Lord our God. May all error and superstition, and idolatry, and false doctrine, be rooted out of every section of thy vineyard. Hasten the downfall of Antichrist. May the great Mahometan delusion be scattered and broken. Prepare the way for the return of thine ancient people to the land of their fathers. Take away the veil from their eyes. Show them Jesus, the glory of thy people Israel. Be with thy ministering servant who will this day break amongst us the bread of life. Give him thy Holy Spirit. Inspire him with true wisdom. Be among thy people in the house of prayer, and bless them. May the expectation of the day of the appearing of the Son of man raise us above the power of earthly things, and draw us nearer to thyself, through our Lord Jesus Christ. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost, be with us all this day and evermore. Amen.

Sabbath Evening.

Scripture Readings — Psalm lxi; lxii.

Hear our cry, O Lord. Bow down thine ear and bless us. Lead us to the Rock that is higher than we. May we abide in thy tabernacle, and trust under the covert of thy wings. O give us the heritage of them that fear thy name. Be thou our Rock and our salvation. Let our strength and refuge be in thee. Our souls, on this thy day, would wait on thee, O

God. Our expectation is from thee. Before thee this day we desire to pour out our hearts. Hear and help us, O God our Father. Give us the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of thy blessed Son. Open our eyes to see wonderful things out of thy law. Grant that we may know what is the hope of our calling, and what the riches of the glory of his inheritance in the saints; and may we thus be able to comprehend what is the breadth, and length, and depth, and height, and to know the love of Christ which passeth knowledge, that we may be filled with all the fulness of God. We ask thee to give us this grace. Open thou, O Lord, our eyes, that we may see. Quicken our hearts, that we may feel the things that belong to our peace. Enable us to find in the ministrations of the sanctuary, the means by which blessings are applied to us individually. May He, the Comforter, who was sent to supply the Saviour's place, bring all things to our remembrance, and abide with us for ever. May the unction of the Holy One abide on pastor and people. May he help our infirmities, teach us to pray, and pray for us. O Lord, strengthen our faith, enlarge our charity, raise our affections, and fix them upon heavenly things: and so lead us to Jesus, and make us complete in him. Hasten, O Father, thy glorious work, by the power of thy Spirit; and grant that the perfections of thy Godhead may be manifested more and more in thy believing people. Our souls look to thee. Hear, help, and bless us, for Jesus' sake. Amen.

Monday Morning.

Scripture Reading — 2 Samuel xxii. 1–25.

O Lord God, we come to thee as miserable sinners in the name of Jesus, who is thine own way of approach to thee. We praise thee for thy wondrous grace in opening up such a way for guilty sinners to approach thee. We know, O Lord, that

we cannot be justified by the law in thy sight. We have not continued in all things that are written in the book of the law to do them. We are under its deserved curse every moment, but yet wonderful it is in our sight that we see every jot and tittle of it fulfilled in the great Surety. O Lord, while we feel our wayward wills continually leading us astray, may we ever value the gracious discipline by which we are led by the law to Christ. Enable us, gracious God, to serve thee with a free spirit, without fear, in holiness and righteousness before thee, all the days of our lives, and thus do thou make us meet for thy service in heaven, without sin or weariness. Be thou our rock and our fortress, our shield, and the ark of our salvation. From the waves of death and the floods of the ungodly, from the sorrows of hell and the snares of death, deliver us, O Lord. Help us to keep thy ways. Let us not wickedly depart from thee, O God. Bow thy heaven, and send from above, and come and bless us, our Father. Be thou this day our Rock and our Deliverer. Help us to trust in thee, and let our cry enter into thine ears, Lord God Almighty. Lead us by thy Holy Spirit, in all our distresses, unto thee. This day guide, and protect, and bless us. We enter on a new week trusting in thee. Save us from sin — lead us into no temptation. Deliver us from evil. May we ever feel, Thou God seest us. Graciously and pitifully look on us, O Lord, and do us good. Hear our prayer, help us, and bless us, for Jesus' sake. Amen.

Monday Evening.

Scripture Reading—1 Corinthians i. 1–17.

We call on thy name, O Lord. May grace be given us abundantly. May we be enriched with all utterance and knowledge. Confirm us to the end. May we come behind in no gift, waiting for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. Call us into the fellowship of thy Son. Join us together in the same mind, and in the same judgment. May we have fewer

divisions. May Christ be, in our affections and judgments, all and in all. Blessed Lord! who hath caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning, grant that we may hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them. Enable us to receive thy word, and to hide thy commandments within us. Teach us to cry after knowledge, and to lift up our voice for understanding: yea, to seek her as silver, and to search for her as for hid treasures. O Lord, may thy word be a lamp to our feet and a light to our path; may it dwell in us richly in all wisdom, and may we give attention to thy word, which is alone able to make us wise unto salvation. May the solemn responsibility of hearing thy word be deeply impressed on our minds; may we know, as well as hear, the joyful sound. May it show unto us the knowledge of Him whom to know is life eternal. Save us from carelessness, formality, and unbelief. Blessed Lord, our heavenly Father, pour out upon us thy Holy Spirit. Unite our hearts to Christ the Saviour, and help us to fear thy name. Take away from each of us the evil heart of unbelief, and give unto each of us a heart of flesh. Make clean our hearts within us. Hide thy face from our sins, O thou that pardonest and absolvest all them that truly repent and unfeignedly believe thy holy gospel. Say thou to each of us, Thy sins be forgiven thee. Bless thy church universal; and bless abundantly that branch of it to which we in thy providence belong. Increase the number of faithful, affectionate, and godly ministers throughout all the earth. Extend thy glorious gospel to Jew and Gentile. Let thy word have free course and be glorified. May mountains in its way be laid low, and valleys exalted. God be merciful to us, and bless us, and cause thy face to shine upon us, through Jesus Christ. That thy way may be known upon earth, thy saving health among all nations. Let the people praise thee, O God; let all the people praise thee. O let the nations be glad and sing for joy: for thou shalt judge the people righteously, and govern the nations upon earth. Let the people praise thee, O God; let all the people praise thee. Then shall the earth yield her increase; and God, even our own God, shall bless us. God

shall bless us; and all the ends of the earth shall fear him. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost, be with us all. Amen.

Tuesday Morning.

Scripture Reading—2 Samuel xxii. 26–51.

None is God, but thee, O Lord. Be our strength and power. Make our way perfect, O God. Give us the shield of thy salvation. Let thy gentleness make us great. Deliver us, O Lord, from the strivings of the people. Be thou exalted in our hearts, thou Rock of our salvation. Enable us to give thanks unto thee in the name of thine Anointed. We confess, O Lord, that from the day of our birth we have been sinners, and deserving of thy wrath and condemnation. Yea, Lord, we inherit sin, we were born in sin and conceived in iniquity. Thou hast not been in all our thoughts. O Lord, we deplore our selfishness, our vanity, our irritability of temper, our worldly-mindedness, covetousness, ambition. Thy law, which is so holy, just, and good, has been undervalued; we have wished it to be less strict, less pure. The finished work of thy dear Son has been too lightly esteemed by us. Surely as thy mercies are new every morning, so are our sins. O Holy Father, for thy name's sake, pardon our iniquity, for it is very great; justify us freely. We can offer thee nothing. Our only plea is the full atoning sacrifice of thine own Son, our Saviour. Wash us in the fountain of his blood. Accept us in the Beloved. We know, O God, that sin must ruin us if thou dost not save us; that our knowledge of right will only increase our condemnation, if thou dost not help us. Perfect thy strength in our weakness. Pour out on us, therefore, gracious God, thy Holy Ghost; that we may be sanctified wholly, body, soul, and spirit. Give us a holy boldness to resist sin in every

shape. Suffer us not to be drawn away by the allurements of the world. Bless, O Lord, the children of this house. Preserve them from evil. And all we ask is in the name of Jesus our only Saviour. Amen.

Tuesday Evening.

Scripture Reading — 1 Corinthians i. 18–31.

O Lord our God, may the preaching of the cross be to us and ours the wisdom of God, and the power of God unto salvation. May we glory in the cross. May Jesus be our only hope, and Lord, and Prophet, and Priest, and King. May he be made of thee to us Wisdom, Righteousness, Sanctification, and Redemption. May we glory only in the Lord. Lord, write these precious truths on our hearts. Hear us, O God, we pray thee, as we draw near to thee at the close of this day. Suffer us to praise thy name for thine infinite mercies extended to such sinners. We would bless thee for all thy goodness towards us, in preserving us from day to day. We praise thee, O Lord, for all the blessings of this life. But, above all, we desire to remember with thankfulness the inestimable gift of thine own dear Son, the all-sufficient remedy for sin. In this remedy we see at once the exceeding sinfulness of sin, and the exceeding great love of thee, our God. O Lord, make us to realize more and more the preciousness of the blood of Christ. Give us an abiding sense of his love, that we may henceforth live not unto ourselves, but unto him who died for us, and rose again. We bless thee for all the promises that thou hast made us. May we turn away from sin and overcome it. O Lord, do as thou hast promised. Turn us, and we shall be turned. Put thy fear in our hearts, that we may never turn away from thee. Pardon, O Lord, our family sins. We confess they are many indeed. Make us feel our responsibilities; and now, O Lord, we commit ourselves and all we have into thy keeping. Refresh us with sleep, and in the morning raise us up

again. O visit with thy light, and love, and truth, them that are in darkness and in the shadow of death. O Sun of righteousness, arise with healing under thy wings. Take to thyself thy mighty power, and reign in our hearts, and over all the earth. Raise up increasing numbers of spiritually-minded and holy men, who shall prayerfully, and purely, and efficiently spread thy blessed gospel. Arise, O Lord, and have mercy on thine ancient heritage. Visit it with thy favour. Restore the wanderers of Salem, and open their eyes. Touch their hearts. Awaken the dry bones. Reveal to them Jesus as the Way, the Truth, and the Life—the Light to lighten the Gentiles, and the glory of thy people Israel. Multiply daily faithful missionaries, who shall carry forth to Jew and Gentile the tidings of salvation. Make us also missionaries, by making us truly like our blessed Lord. Amen.

Wednesday Morning.

Scripture Reading—2 Samuel xxiii. 1–17.

Our house, O Lord, is not with thee as it should be. Yet we rejoice that thou hast made with us in Christ an everlasting covenant, in all things ordered and sure. Make our path as the morning light. Pour thy blessing on us as dew on the grass. Make our rulers just. Make us thine. Be thou our salvation and our desire. We rejoice to remember every morning that there is a Daysman between thee and us; a Mediator, who is God one with thee, and man one with us, that he may unite thee and us together in himself as one, for ever. Oh, send thy Spirit into our hearts, to begin, continue, and to complete this union. Deliver us from everything that is contrary to thy nature, and make us of one mind and of one heart with thyself, in holiness, and truth, and love. Enlarge our acquaintance, we beseech thee, with him who is Immanuel, God with us. Give us to know him as the brightness of thy

glory, and the express image of thy person; and yet as bone of our bone, and flesh of our flesh. Teach us, O God, how to prize and to glorify the Lord our righteousness, who has magnified the law for us, and made it honourable. We adore and praise thee, O Lord, for thy merciful protection in the night; and for thy great goodness in raising us to see the light of another morning. We acknowledge our unworthiness of all thy mercies. With shame and contrition, we confess that we have sinned against thee. We have grieved thy Spirit by our unbelief. We have requited thy love with coldness and ingratitude. Have mercy upon us, O God. Prepare us for all the trials that may await us, and help us more and more to live to thy glory, and to press forward towards the mark of our high calling which is in Christ Jesus: and to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, one God, be everlasting praise and glory. Amen.

Wednesday Evening.

Scripture Reading — 1 Corinthians ii.

May thy ministering servants, O Lord, know nothing but Jesus Christ, and him crucified. May we feel thy great truth supreme in our hearts. May our faith stand, not in the wisdom of man, but in the power of God. Reveal to us by thy Holy Spirit the things that belong to our peace. May we receive the Spirit of God. May we receive the things and words of the Holy Ghost. May we have the mind of Christ. We prostrate ourselves in thy presence. We praise thee for thy wondrous love to sinners, and we bless thee for the great salvation thou hast provided for our precious souls. Our sins had separated us from thee. O God, we humbly thank thee that thou didst not spare thine only Son, but didst freely offer him up for us all. Blessed Jesus, we adore and bless thee, that thou didst take our nature on thee; and that as our Brother thou didst give thy life to be a ransom for our deliverance. O God, the Holy Ghost, we thank and praise thee

that thou dost instruct the ignorant, sanctify the unclean, and restore the outcast to the fellowship of God. O God, our Saviour, who art God over all, and blessed for ever, conform us to the likeness of thy death, and cause us to know the power of thy resurrection. Deliver us from all iniquity, and continually strengthen us against the sins that most easily beset us. Help us, heavenly Father, to run the race set before us, looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith, who for the joy set before him, endured the cross, despising the shame, and is now set down at thy right hand. Almighty God, help us by thy grace to count all but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Jesus Christ, and to be ready to sacrifice what we love best on earth for his sake. Shed down upon us the light of thy word. Give us the unction of the Holy One. Sanctify us through thy truth—thy word is truth. Beget us to a living hope. Purify our hearts. Keep us this night, and always, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Thursday Morning.

Scripture Reading—Job vii.

O Lord, teach us our frailty. May we ever live as those who must soon leave this world and appear before thee. Pardon our transgressions, and take away our iniquity. Visit us not in thy wrath, but in thy mercy and loving-kindness chasten us, our Father. We have sinned. Forgive us, O Preserver of men, through him who died for us, and rose again, and ever intercedeth for us. Sin, and guilt, and wrath, are the inheritance of our fallen nature; and we have added sin to sin. Cold has been our love, unfruitful our service. Spare us, good Lord. Bring us to the blood of sprinkling. Give us faith—the operation of the Holy Spirit; and grant us to know that we are washed, that we are sanctified, that we are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus, and by the Spirit

of God. And we pray that having peace with thee through Jesus Christ, we may indeed be temples of the Holy Ghost. May we walk worthy of our high calling. May our hearts abound in the fruits of the Spirit; and out of the abundance of the heart may the mouth speak to thy glory. Incline us to fear thee, and to confess thy name before men. May we know in whom we have believed, and may men take knowledge of us that we have been with Jesus. Enable us always, and for all things, to give thanks for our joys, as also for our trials; and whether thou givest, or takest away, may we have grace to say, Blessed be the name of the Lord. Above all, we would give thanks for the unspeakable gift of a Saviour, revealed to us in thy holy word. Oh may he be revealed in us by thy Holy Spirit. We thank thee for thy precious gospel; may it be manifested to all the world. Cause it to have free course, and let it not return unto thee void. We ask all for Jesus' sake. Amen.

Thursday Evening.

Scripture Reading — 1 Corinthians iii.

O Lord, our heavenly Father, make us holy, spiritual, happy, a chosen generation, a royal priesthood. While Paul planteth, and Apollos watereth, do thou, O Lord, give the increase. Help us, O God, to regard the ministry of the gospel as thine ambassadors, and our servants, for Christ's sake. May they have grace to preach the truth. O Lord, build us as living stones on Christ, the Rock of ages. Make us, O God, holy temples for thy residences. God forbid we should defile thy sanctuary. May we be Christ's, and thus may all things be ours. Let all things work for good to us who love thee. May our joys and sorrows be sanctified of thee. O stretch the covert of thy wings over us this night, and over all our friends and neighbours, that we may sleep in safety and awake in peace. Extend thy help and favour to

all our Christian brethren throughout the world. O visit and comfort them who are persecuted for righteousness' sake. Send forth thy saving health among all nations, and bring them into the fold of the Good Shepherd. And mercifully grant that in the kingdom of thy glory, we, thine unworthy servants, with a great multitude of our fallen family, may be heard joyfully saying, Unto Him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood, and hath made us kings and priests unto God and his Father, to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. God be merciful to us and bless us. Cause thy face to shine upon us. Give us daily bread. Deliver us from all evil. Lead us into no temptation. Keep us from falling. Keep us for thy kingdom and glory, through Christ. Amen.

Friday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Job xiv.

Teach us, O Lord, how frail is our life, and how fleeting. But help us also to remember the life everlasting. O lead us in the way. Guide us to glory. Let us live again. Make clean our hearts within us, O thou who alone art able to bring a clean thing out of an unclean. May we be trees of righteousness, the planting of the Lord, whose leaves do not fade. Send down upon us, O Lord, we beseech thee, thy Holy Spirit, to enable us with one heart and one mind to call upon thee. Reveal to us thy dear Son in the fulness of his mediatorial character and offices; and especially enable us to understand and value those sufferings, through which, as the Captain of our salvation, he was made perfect. O Lord God, we beseech thee to justify us freely through faith in his name; and daily renew and sanctify us unto holiness of heart and life; and keep us for ever looking to him as our example, and confiding in him as our guide, throughout this and every day of our

lives. Blessed Father, help us to set our affections not on things on the earth, but on things above. Spiritualize our affections. Purify our hearts. Cleanse our thoughts from all evil by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit. Help us joyfully to anticipate the resurrection of the dead. May we have part in the first resurrection. May we live again. Keep us secret. Preserve us, O God of our salvation, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Friday Evening.

SCRIPTURE READING — 1 Corinthians iv.

O GOD, may we walk and suffer as Christians. May we bless them that persecute us. May we overcome evil with good. Give us the Spirit of our blessed Lord and Master. Make us faithful stewards. Having received all we are and have of thee, may we ever feel it is thou who makest us to differ, and glory not in man, or in ourselves, but only in thee. The close of another day calls for the language both of penitence and of praise; of penitence, because of our many and grievous sins; of praise, for thy manifold and great mercies. We have sinned, we have forsaken thee, the fountain of living waters, for broken cisterns that can hold no water. Our proneness to depend on man, and to depart from the living God, convicts us as transgressors before thee. Cleanse us with the precious blood, clothe us with the spotless righteousness, conform us to the perfect example, of our Redeemer. Enable us to avoid the sins we confess. Create in us clean hearts. Being reviled, may we bless. Being persecuted, may we patiently and meekly suffer. May our affections be set on things above. Give us the hearts of pilgrims and strangers, whose home, and hope, and rest are where Christ is. In the world, may we not be of it. Draw us, and we will follow. Keep us from falling. Present us spotless to thyself with exceeding joy. For the great day of the Lord, we beseech thee to keep us waiting and watching. May our loins be girded

about, and our lamps burning, and may the language of our hearts be, Come, Lord Jesus, come quickly! We thank thee for all the mercies of this day. We praise thee as the giver of every good and perfect gift. Above all, we adore and praise thee for a Saviour, Christ the Lord. Extend to others our mercies. Help us to spread the knowledge of them. Hasten the promised glory. All we ask is for Christ's sake. Amen.

Saturday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Job xxii.

Almighty and most merciful Father, the Father of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, we are not profitable to thee, yet we desire to draw near to thee in his name. Our wickedness is great—our iniquities are infinite. O do thou graciously pity our infirmities. Mercifully forgive us our sins. May we never in thought or word say, Depart from us. Grant us, for thy dear Son's sake, to worship thee in spirit and in truth. Help us to acquaint ourselves with thee, and be at peace. From thee cometh the preparation of the heart in man. Do thou prepare our hearts, and let thine ear hear us. We are unworthy of the least of all thy mercies. Not favour, but wrath is our desert. We have sinned in thought, in word, and in deed; but we praise thee, O God, that where sin hath abounded, grace hath much more abounded. Thou hast provided a sacrifice of infinite value for us—the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world, a Lamb without blemish and without spot. O Holy Father, may we each and all, by faith, behold him, and thereby have our consciences purified this day from all sin, and be at peace with thee, and ready for thy service. Grant us true repentance. Enable us to walk in true humility, truth, and love. Help us ever to remember that we are not our own, but bought with a price; and constrained by the love of Christ to live not to ourselves, but to him that

died for us and rose again. May iniquity be far from our tabernacle. May we delight in thee, the Almighty, and lift our face unto God. Let thy light shine on our ways. Save the humble, O Lord. Build us up in thy fear, faith, and love. Hear these our petitions in the name and for the sake of Jesus Christ, thine only Son, our Saviour. Amen.

Saturday Evening.

Scripture Reading — 1 Corinthians v.

O most gracious God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, at the close of another week we desire to approach thee in praise and adoration, for the many and undeserved mercies thou hast bestowed on us, and for the long-suffering thou hast shown in the midst of all our sin, weakness, and folly. We confess our sin, and humbly implore thee, by thy Spirit, to convince us more thoroughly of its exceeding sinfulness. Let the review of every day's transgressions, and miserable failures in duty, repress all our pride, and bring us to thy mercy-seat. Renew us daily, we beseech thee, in thy likeness, and send thy Holy Spirit into our hearts. Blessed Lord, from all deadly sin graciously deliver us. Let not the lusts of the flesh prevail within us. Let not the pride of life attract us. Give us the spirit of wisdom, and understanding, and grace. Almighty and everlasting God, create in us clean hearts, and renew right spirits within us. O thou to whom all hearts be open and all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid, cleanse the thoughts and imaginations, and affections of our hearts by thy Holy Spirit. Sanctify us through thy truth. Sow in our hearts the incorruptible seed. Make us trees of righteousness. O Lord enter not into judgment with any of us here before thee for past sins and present unworthiness, for in thy sight none of us can be thus justified. There is forgiveness with thee. Spare us and ours, and all whose case is nearest and dearest to our hearts, and bless us, through Jesus

Christ, with all spiritual and temporal mercies. At the close of another week we plead this precious truth, The blood of Jesus Christ cleanseth from all sin. If spared to see the day of the Son of man, we plead thy promise ever to be with us. Graciously fulfil it. Never leave us, O God of our salvation. In life and death, in time and eternity, be thou our God. Teach us to deny ungodliness and worldly lusts, and to live soberly, righteously, and godly in this present world, looking for that blessed hope, the glorious appearing of Jesus Christ our Saviour, in whose name and words we sum up our petitions. Our Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, As it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, The power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

THIRTY-SECOND WEEK.

Sabbath Morning.

SCRIPTURE READING — Psalm lxiii.

EVER-BLESSED and glorious God, we desire to seek thee in sincerity, and to worship thee in spirit and truth. May our souls hunger and thirst for thee. May we this day in thy house experience thy power and glory, as we have seen thee in the sanctuary. We praise and magnify thy holy name for all thy loving-kindness during the past week. Goodness and mercy have followed us all the days of our lives, although we have sinned against thee in thought, and word, and deed, and are unworthy of the least of thy mercies. We desire to be humbled under a sense of our sins and wickedness, and to implore forgiveness of them in the name and for the sake of thy dear Son, our Saviour, who died that we might live. O blessed

Saviour, who hast overcome death and the grave, and who didst shed thy precious blood for us, to deliver us from this present evil world, give us grace that we may withstand all the temptations of the world, the flesh, and the devil. Crucify us to the world, and the world unto us. Enable us by thy Holy Spirit to count all things but dross, that we may win Christ, and be found in him. This day in thy sanctuary enable us by thy Holy Spirit to cast off from our minds the cares of this life, and fix our minds on that life that is to come, and so gather strength to serve thee acceptably during the week that is before us. This day be with the faithful ministers of thy precious gospel wherever they may be; may they win many souls to Christ, and comfort all who mourn. Extend our sabbaths and our privileges to near and distant lands. O take not away our privileges because of our misuse and abuse of them. Pour down thy Holy Spirit on every nook and portion of thy vineyard. Refresh thy weary heritage. Comfort thy church, which, like a widow, waits and looks for the return of the everlasting Husband, the Prince of peace, the only Saviour. Lord, help us, and strengthen us, and comfort us. Be in the midst of us. Lift up our hearts to thyself. Evermore satisfy our souls. May we yet more enjoy thy sanctuary on earth, and ripen for thy presence in glory. We ask all these blessings in the name of Jesus Christ our Mediator. Amen.

Sabbath Evening.

Scripture Reading — Psalm lxiv.

Almighty and everlasting God, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy, stir up thy power and come and save us. Again we look up to thee, for thy blessing upon what we have heard this day. Give us thy Holy Spirit to fix in our memories, and fasten upon our consciences, the solemn truths of thy holy word. May we at all times remember that it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment,

By thy grace may we be enabled to deny ungodliness and worldly lusts, and live soberly, righteously, and piously in this present evil world. Let thy word dwell in us richly in all wisdom. May it please thee to have mercy on all men. Give us hearts to sympathize with others. Hasten, O Lord, we beseech thee, the time when there shall be no one in all the earth to complain, No one careth for my soul. Lord, increase our faith. O Lord, arise and help us, and deliver, and purge away our sins, for thy name's sake. We praise and thank thee for thy Holy Scriptures, which testify of Christ, and which are able to make us wise unto salvation through faith which is in him. We bless thee for the treasures of heavenly wisdom that are hid in thy holy word. Open thou our eyes to behold wondrous things out of thy law. Thy word tells us, if we cry after knowledge, and lift up our voice for understanding, if we seek it as silver, and search for it as for hid treasures, then shall we understand the fear of the Lord, and find the knowledge of God. O almighty and everlasting God, command thy blessing on the word preached this day throughout the whole earth. May thy truths prove as good seed cast into hearts prepared by thy Holy Spirit, and so bring forth abundant fruit to thy glory, and to the good of thy church. Hear the cry of the prisoner suffering for Christ's sake. Give courage to thy saints in heathen and papal lands to speak the word with all boldness. Raise up in greater numbers faithful preachers of the word. Pour down thy Holy Spirit on all flesh. Let thy kingdom come. Let thy name be glorified. Let the righteous be glad in thee. Let the upright in heart glory. Be with us this night while we sleep. May no evil come nigh our dwelling. Hide us from the secret counsel of the wicked. Let all men fear thee, and declare thy work, and consider thy doing. Let the righteous be glad in thee, and trust in thee, and glory in thy name. Preserve us from sickness and death, and may we rise on the morrow with grateful hearts, ready to renew our praises to thee for all thy countless mercies. These, and all other things, we ask in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Monday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Isaiah i. 1–15.

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts be open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid, cleanse the thoughts of our hearts, we beseech thee, that we may worthily magnify thy holy name. Enable us to mourn for our sins with godly sorrow, and be humbled under a sense of them. Create in us, O God, a clean heart, and renew a right spirit within us. Cast us not away from thy presence, and take not thy Holy Spirit from us. Purify our hearts; day by day may we grow in grace, and in the knowledge of the things that belong to our eternal peace. May we learn of Jesus, who was meek and lowly in heart. May we be poor in spirit. Prevent us, O God, by thy Holy Spirit, from seeking satisfaction in the things of time and sense, and may we be willing to part with them rather than forget thee, the giver of them. We acknowledge that from the crown of the head to the sole of the foot there is no soundness at all, and if thou shouldest deal with us after our sins, we should have from thee judgment without mercy. Help us to understand, and enable us to fulfil, all the duties that devolve upon us in our several situations, as parents and children, as masters and servants. O keep us from all sin and wickedness. Keep us from falling. May we, and all near and dear to us, be followers, in deed and in truth, of the Lord Jesus Christ. Patiently and meekly may we take up his cross and follow. May we prove that we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit which is of God. Sanctify us through thy truth — thy word is truth. Make us perfect, even as our Father which is in heaven is perfect. May we show ourselves his children. All this we ask in the name and for the sake of Jesus Christ, who bare our sins in his own body on the tree, and has washed us from our sins in his own blood. Amen.

Monday Evening.

Scripture Reading — 1 Corinthians vi.

O Lord, our Governor, how excellent is thy name in all the earth! Thou hast hid the mysteries of thy kingdom from the wise and prudent, and hast revealed them unto babes. Even so, Father, for so it seemed good in thy sight. Blessed be thy holy name, that thou hast revealed thyself as God in Christ, reconciling the world unto thyself, and thou hast promised to give thy Holy Spirit to them that ask thee. Lord, we ask, and do thou grant our request. Take away from us all ignorance, prejudice, and hardness of heart, and impart to each of us now before thee the hearing ear and the understanding heart. Make us more thankful for the word of truth which by the gospel is proclaimed to us. How manifold are thy mercies to poor miserable, guilty sinners like ourselves! We desire that our hearts should be filled with gratitude, and our mouths with praise. Grant that our precious privileges may never rise up to condemn us in the last day. May we flee all deadly sin. May we be neither thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers. Deliver those that are so. Make us inheritors of the kingdom of heaven. Let our lives so shine before thee, that men may take knowledge of us, that we are thy people. May we be peace-makers. May we neither defraud nor wrong our brethren. Justify us. Sanctify us. Blessed Jesus, thou hast said, Come unto me, all ye that are weary and heavy-laden, and I will give you rest. Lord, we come; we believe, help thou our unbelief. Make our bodies temples of thy Holy Ghost. Mercifully grant that in all our trials, of whatever kind they may be, patience may have her perfect work, that we may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing. Being bought with a price, may we glorify thee. May the Holy Spirit turn the heart of stone into a heart of flesh. May all evil appetites and passions and desires be driven out of every heart. May whatsoever things are just,

and true, and of good report, abound in us more and more. Let the promised Comforter dwell in us richly, for thy name's sake. To God the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, one everlasting God, we give the praise and the glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Tuesday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Isaiah i. 16–31.

Almighty and most merciful Father, look thou upon us and be merciful to us, and forgive us, for the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, in whose name we approach thee this morning. We acknowledge the sins, the grievous sins, which from day to day we all commit in word and deed. Forgive, O Lord, forgive for thy dear Son's sake. Enable us to put away, in thy strength, the evil of our doings, to cease to do evil, and to learn by thy Spirit, and from thy holy word, to do well. Though our sins be as scarlet, may they be white as snow, though red like crimson, may they be as wool, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Cleanse us, O God, from our secret faults, known to thee if forgotten by us. Let them never have dominion over us. Thy vows are upon us; may we have grace from on high to perform them. O thou God of all grace and mercy, renew us day by day in thine own likeness and image. May we, by thy Holy Spirit, grow in grace, and in the knowledge of thee the God of our salvation. May we learn of Jesus to be patient in tribulation, meek and lowly in spirit, and upright in all our thoughts and dealings. Like him, may we be enabled to pray for our enemies, and bless those who oppose us, and so exhibit by our temper and conduct that we are indeed the disciples of the meek and lowly Jesus. Lord, we know that thou wilt hear the desires of the humble and contrite heart. Do thou therefore give us contrite hearts, and hear and answer our humble petitions which we offer in Christ's name. May the Spirit help our infirmities, and make intercession within us. Give

us family mercies. May our children grow up in thy fear, and become ornaments to thy church and useful to the world. O our Father, let thy name be hallowed, and thy kingdom come, and thy will be done on earth even as it is in heaven. Forgive us all our debts, and help us to forgive our debtors. Give us food convenient for us. Deliver us from evil. Lead us into no temptation. We ask all these mercies in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Tuesday Evening.

Scripture Reading — 1 Corinthians viii.

O Lord our Father, of whom are all things, we approach thee in the name of the one Jesus Christ, by whom are all things, and we by him. May we sacrifice our own preferences in order to do good to others. May we become all things to all men in order to win souls. Fill our hearts with that charity which edifieth, and with that humility which becomes those who know nothing as they ought to know. O thou who knowest all things, and who seest the desires of all hearts, grant unto us thy Holy Spirit to guide us into all truth. Give us hearts to pray to thee aright. Pour out into our hearts such love towards thee, that loving thee above all things, we may obtain thy promises, which exceed all we can either desire or deserve, through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Saviour. Renew our sinful and carnal hearts, and create in each of us the honest and good heart, which thy Holy Spirit alone can produce, and without which we shall never receive the truth in the love of it. Grant that, when we hear thy holy word, we may understand and keep it. Humble us deeply under a sight and sense of all our sins; let us not say to ourselves, Peace, peace, when there is no peace. O grant us a living union between our souls and Christ, that we be not of them who draw back unto perdition. Thou knowest the dangers that beset us on every hand, and that because of the frailty

of our nature we cannot always stand upright. Give us grace to withstand all the temptations of the world, the flesh, and the devil, and with pure hearts and minds to follow thee the only true God. Suffer nothing to come between us and thee. Let not riches nor the cares of this life leave us no time for thee. The preparation of the heart is from thee. Do thou, O God, dispose and prepare our hearts to the attainment of everlasting salvation. Hold thou us up, and we shall be safe. Turn thou us, and we shall be turned. For all the sins of thought, and word, and deed which thou hast seen in us this day, we most humbly implore thy pardoning mercy. Forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. Absolve thou us, O thou who pardonest all them that truly repent, and unfeignedly believe thy holy gospel. Continue thy providential care. Supply our wants, and satisfy our mouths with good things. Keep us by thy power through faith unto salvation. We ask all in the name and for the sake of thine only Son our Saviour. Amen.

Wednesday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Isaiah ii. 1–19.

O Thou that hearest prayer, unto thee shall all flesh come. We come unto thee in the name of Jesus, the only Mediator between thee and us. Teach us to pray. Teach us by thy Holy Spirit thy ways, and we will walk in thy paths. May we remember that thou art in heaven, and we are upon earth. May we thus feel, and pray, and live. May we have grace to serve thee with reverence and godly fear. Make our hearts, O God, right in thy sight. In all we do may we have a single eye to thy glory. May we at all times offer to thee the prayer of the upright. Teach us to pray in an acceptable manner—earnestly, humbly, truly. May we live a life of prayer, and know by experience the blessedness of them whom thou

choosest, and causest to approach unto thee. Enable us always to feel, Thou God seest me. Thou knowest what things we have need of before we ask them. Give us the spirit of adoption, that we may cry, Abba, Father. And like as a father pitieth his children, so, O Lord, do thou pity us. Let thy Holy Spirit help our infirmities. Pour out in our hearts the spirit of grace and supplication. Let thy kingdom come in our hearts, that kingdom which is righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost. Spread the knowledge of thy glorious gospel in all lands. Let Jew and Gentile know soon the joyful sound. May Satan's kingdom be abolished from our hearts and from the world. May thy kingdom come, and be established every where, and thy name universally hallowed. Give us entire submission to thy will in all things. Sanctify us wholly. Prepare us for trials. Preserve us this day by thy mighty power, for we ask all for Jesus' name's sake. Amen.

Wednesday Evening.

Scripture Reading — 1 Corinthians ix. 1–23.

Give us grace, O merciful Father, to esteem thy ministering servants very highly in love for their work's sake. May they escape the woe of them who preach not the gospel. May they sow spiritual things. May God take care of them. Turn the heart of Jew and Gentile to Christ by thy Holy Spirit. O Almighty God, whom truly to know is life eternal, grant us perfectly to know thy Son Jesus Christ to be the only Way, the Truth, and the Life, through whom alone we can obtain everlasting life. May we follow the steps of thy holy apostles, and steadfastly walk in the way that leadeth to eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Send forth, we beseech thee, able ministers of thy gospel, and so fill them with the truth of thy doctrine, and endue them with innocency of life, that they may faithfully serve thee, to the glory of thy great name. Grant us grace to hear and receive what they shall

deliver out of thy most holy word. O send out thy light and thy truth; let them lead us, let them guide us. We humbly confess before thee our depraved and sinful state, both by nature and practice. We are the fallen children of fallen parents. We are by nature children of wrath, and we have each fallen by our own iniquity. We have all destroyed ourselves by actual transgression. But we come to thee in humble reliance on Him who is the life of all them that believe. Lord, lay thine hand upon us and we shall live. Raise us up from the death of sin to the life of righteousness. O may we serve thee in newness of life. May death, judgment, and eternity be ever present with us, and may we know that our sins are covered and cast into the depths of the sea, and remembered no more against us for ever, through the precious blood of Christ. Open our eyes to behold wondrous things out of thy law. Thou art able to do this; we rely upon thy precious promise, O gracious God. Help us to walk before thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of our lives. Shield us this night by thy mighty power, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Thursday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Isaiah iii. 1–15.

Our Father which art in heaven, thy hands have made us and fashioned us; in thee we live, and move, and have our being; we have been preserved ever since we have been born by thy almighty power. We desire to thank thee for all thy mercies, by nature and by grace. Renew our hearts by thy Holy Spirit, and satisfy us day by day. Without thee we can do nothing. Pity our weakness, and grant us strength; keep us this day from all sin and evil, and preserve our souls. Glorify thy name in us. Let the reign of sin be abolished every where. We look up unto thee, O heavenly Father, for the supply of our bodily wants. Thou knowest all we need.

Give us, O God, neither poverty nor riches, but feed thou us with food convenient for us. May we never be so anxious about the bread that perisheth, that we forget thee — the true bread who alone can satisfy the desires of our souls. Hear us, we beseech thee, most merciful Father: fulfil all our desires according to the riches of thy glory in Christ Jesus, to whom be glory for ever and ever. We pray for a blessing on this our family, may we all be members of thy family in heaven and earth, named after thee, and so heirs of thee, and joint-heirs with Christ. O God, for Jesus Christ's sake do thou guide and direct us in our journey through the wilderness of this life, and finally bring us to thy kingdom and glory. Take not away from us the whole stay of bread, and the whole stay of water. Raise up for our country defenders in the hour of need, and deliver us from the power of our enemies, we beseech thee, O Lord. Look in mercy on Jerusalem that is ruined, and on Judah that is fallen. Let it be well here with the righteous, O Lord. Enter not into judgment with us, O Lord. Deliver the poor, and spare the needy. Stand up and plead for the persecuted in all lands. Amen.

Thursday Evening.

Scripture Reading — 1 Corinthians x. 1–21.

O God of Abraham, may we eat of the spiritual meat, and drink of the spiritual Rock. O Rock of ages, guide us, and shield us, and refresh us. Blessed Jesus, may we never tempt thee. May we not be tempted above what we are able to bear, or with the temptation make thou a way of escape. May our communion cup be by faith communion of the blood of Christ. May our communion bread be communion of the body of Christ. O Lord, who madest heaven and earth, the sea, and all that therein is, praised be thy holy name, that for us men, and for our salvation, thou didst condescend to come down from heaven, and wast made man and dwelt among us. Thou

art present in every place, and searchest every heart. Search us, O God, and try us, and see if there be any wicked way within us, and pardon us, and lead us in the way everlasting. Lord save us, or we perish. Show us thy mercy, O Lord, and grant us thy salvation. Increase our faith, fill our souls with joy and peace in believing. We believe, help our unbelief. Blessed Lord, take away all carnal enmity to thee out of our hearts. Draw us, and we shall run after thee. Turn us from darkness to light. Leave us not, neither forsake us, O God of our salvation. Never punish our sins by giving us up to our own hearts' lust. Cast us not away from thy presence, and take not thy Holy Spirit from us. O quicken us, and strengthen us for thy service, that we may walk before thee in the land of the living. May we count the cost of thy service, and not hesitate. Do thou enable each of us to say with a true heart, Lord, whither thou goest we will go, and where thou lodgest we will lodge. Thy people shall be our people, and thy God, blessed Redeemer, our God. May we act upon the conviction that one thing is needful, and may we, like Mary, choose that good part that shall never be taken away. Oh that we may fulfil the law of love; and all things whatsoever we would that men should do unto us, may we do even so to them, remembering that this is the law and the prophets. All this we ask in the name and for the sake of Jesus Christ, our most blessed Lord and Saviour. Hear us in his name. Accept of us and ours this night for his sake. Let grace, mercy, and peace be with us and upon us evermore. Amen.

Friday Morning.

Scripture Readings — Isaiah iii. 16–26; iv.

O Lord, the God of Abraham, thou hast revealed thyself in thy holy word, as our Father, who hast loved us, our Redeemer, who hast saved us, and our Comforter, the Eternal

Spirit. O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, three persons in one God, have mercy upon us miserable sinners. Bless us, and cause thy face to shine upon us, and do us good. Wash us, and we shall be clean. Heal us, and we shall be healed. Hear our prayers, we beseech thee, O Lord. We pray thee, visit with thy saving grace all now assembled here, and all near and dear to us. May the voice of health and joy be heard in our habitation. Look in mercy on all who suffer either in body or mind. Comfort and relieve them, if it be thy holy will, and give them a happy issue out of all their afflictions. Do thou graciously heal all our spiritual diseases, and take away all our infirmities. We believe; Lord, help our unbelief. Increase our faith, and enable us to read thy word, and believe, and rest upon it. May we be numbered amongst thy believing people, and may we all sit down with the general assembly and church of the first-born, whose names are written in heaven. May we all know thee, and Jesus Christ whom thou hast sent, and whom to know is life eternal. May we act habitually upon the conviction that one thing is needful, and make all things subordinate to this one truth. Let not our gates lament, O Lord. Save us from the desolations of war. Let the Branch of the Lord be beautiful and glorious in the midst of us. Be thou the cloud by day, and the shining fire by night, in the midst of us. Be our place of refuge and covert from the storm, for Jesus' sake. And now unto God, the King eternal and invisible, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, both now and ever. Amen.

Friday Evening.

Scripture Reading — 1 Corinthians xi. 1–19.

Make us followers of the Lamb whithersoever he goeth, and of his saints in as far as they follow him. May the woman not behave herself unseemly. May the man act as having Christ his head. May there be fewer divisions and heresies in thy

church day after day. O God Almighty, thy hands have made us and fashioned us, and in thee we live, and move, and have our being. By thee have we been upheld and preserved ever since we were born. Thou hast called us to the adoption of sons in Christ Jesus, assuring us in thy holy word, that to as many as receive him thou dost give power to become the children of God, even to as many as believe on his name. Renew our hearts by thy Holy Spirit. Enable us to cry, Abba, Father. May we serve thee acceptably with reverence and godly fear. May we remember that thou art in heaven and we upon earth, and enable us to approach thee with a deep sense of our sinfulness, but with the humble confidence of obedient children to a loving Father. We pray that thy name may be sanctified throughout all the world. Pour out thy Holy Spirit on all flesh, that all men every where may know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom thou hast sent. May thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Hasten, O Lord, that blessed time when all shall know thee, from the least unto the greatest. Give us day by day our daily bread, and may we have thankful hearts for all thy mercies. For this day's blessing we would especially praise thee. We have been preserved from danger, and disease, and death. Pour down thy Holy Spirit upon all flesh. Create greater zeal, and energy, and love in thy church. Open the hearts of the people to the meek and earnest reception of the truth as it is in Jesus. Gather into the one fold day by day all stray and wandering sheep. Raise up faithful, holy, devoted under shepherds. O thou who hast ascended leading captivity captive, give us gifts. Send forth missionaries and preachers to the heathen at home and abroad. Hear us, and help us, and make thy face shine upon us, for Jesus' sake. O Lord, continue through this night thy preserving care. May no evil come nigh our dwelling, and may the peace which passeth understanding be ours this night and evermore, for Jesus Christ's sake. Amen.

Saturday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Isaiah v. 1–17.

Almighty God, may we be trees of righteousness — the planting of the Lord, O God, we look up unto thee for thy Holy Spirit to guide us, in the name of Jesus Christ, our Advocate with thee. For his sake show us thy mercy, O Lord, and grant us thy salvation. Quicken and strengthen us by thy Holy Spirit for thy service, that we may walk before thee in the land of the living. Turn us from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan unto God, that we may obtain an inheritance among all them that are sanctified through faith which is in thee. May we count the cost of thy service, and say in earnest, Lord, we will follow thee whithersoever thou goest. Take away, O Lord, we beseech thee, all the carnal enmity out of our hearts. Draw us, and we shall run after thee. Leave us not, neither forsake us, O God of our salvation. Cast us not away from thy presence, and take not thy Holy Spirit from us. Hide thy face from our sins, and blot out all our transgressions. May we rightly and prayerfully use our great privileges. O God, be thou sanctified in righteousness in the midst of us. May our nation be thy vineyard, and our people thy pleasant plant. Make clean our hearts within us. Hear us for the sake of our great High Priest, in whose name we pray. Our Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, As it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, The power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

Saturday Evening.

Scripture Reading — 1 Corinthians xi. 20–34.

O Lord, examine us, and try our hearts and our thoughts. Give us grace also to examine ourselves. We thank thee for the communion of the body and blood of Christ. May we rejoice to do this in remembrance of Christ. May we delight to show forth his death till he come. Give us grace to discern by faith our Lord's body. Make us worthy communicants by enabling us to feel how unworthy we are of thy mercy. Almighty and most merciful Father, who of thy tender love hast given thy Son to die for us, we desire to humble ourselves before thee, and confess that we are poor, and needy, and dying creatures, defiled with sin, and guilty. We are cut down as a flower, we flee away as a shadow; but like as a father pitieth his children, so do thou pity us. Blessed be thy holy name, thou hast brought life and immortality to light by thy gospel, and given us in thy Son the blessed hope of everlasting life. Oh that we may embrace this blessed hope, and ever hold it fast. Reveal Christ to us in his saving offices and character. Save us, and deliver us from all our sins. Lord, increase our faith. We believe, help thou our unbelief. Thou hast promised thy Holy Spirit to them that ask thee. Remember thy word unto thy servants upon which thou hast caused them to hope, and pardon us, and save us, and bless us, and fulfil all our desires, for Jesus Christ's sake. We wait for thee. Do thou lead us and guide us by thy Holy Spirit, and order our footsteps aright. Fix thou the bounds of our habitation. May we bow in humble faith to all the dispensations of thy providence, assured that what we know not now, we shall know hereafter. O Lord, spread abroad over all Christendom pure and enlightened views of the ordinances and institutions of the everlasting gospel. Let thy word have free course, be read, and studied, and understood by increasing numbers. May the Lord's supper no where be regarded as an

idol or a sacrifice, but as a sign, and seal, and sacrament commemorative of the death and sacrifice of Jesus, and a pledge of his coming again. Give us increase of faith, repentance, love, and obedience. Give us thy Holy Spirit, O Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world. Hear us, O Lord, and answer us, according to the multitude of thy tender mercies, through Christ our Saviour. Amen.

THIRTY-THIRD WEEK.

Sabbath Morning.

Scripture Reading — Psalm lxv.

O Lord, praise waiteth for thee in creation and in providence, but especially in redemption. Thou hast made all, thou rulest over all; and thou hast redeemed us by the blood of thy dear Son, and made us kings and priests unto thee, and we shall reign with him for ever and ever. O thou that hearest prayer, we come to thee, and we pray that all flesh, attracted by thy love, and under a sense of its wants, may come to thee, and find thee a very present help in time of trouble. O Lord, iniquities prevail against us in our thoughts, our words, and our acts. They are more than can be numbered; but, blessed be thy name, thou hast taught us to believe that our transgressions shall be purged away. O Lord, give us the blessedness of that man whom thou choosest in thy distinguishing grace, and causest by thy fatherly power to approach unto thee. May we dwell in thy courts, and count a day in thy courts better than a thousand. May our hearts be satisfied with the goodness of thy house this day, even of thy holy temple. Thou art the confidence of all the ends of the earth, and of them that are afar off upon the sea. This day, O Lord, answer us, and help us, and deliver us, for thy name's sake, Thou settest fast the mountains; thou art girded with power. Visit the earth, and water it; enrich it

with the river of God; water the ridges thereof abundantly, and bless the springing thereof; and crown this year, and every year of our pilgrimage upon earth, with thy goodness. Let thy paths drop fatness upon the pastures of the wilderness; let the little hills rejoice; let the pastures be clothed with flocks, let the valleys be covered with corn; let them shout with joy, and also sing. May our hearts be in unison with this. May this blessed day, the burden of prophecy, come speedily. May the earth soon be renewed; may our hearts be renewed in the mean time. May the Sun of righteousness soon arise with healing under his wings, and may the Church of Christ put on her beautiful robes, and break forth upon the right and upon the left. May the whole earth be filled with the glory of Him who loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood, and hath made us kings and priests unto our God. Hear us, O Lord, and be with us this day in the sanctuary, and with all thy people. Gird thyself with thy great power, and prevail, and triumph mightily. Comfort all that mourn; heal the broken-hearted; raise up them that are bowed down: and all this we beg for the sake of Jesus Christ, our only Advocate and Mediator. Amen.

Sabbath Evening.

Scripture Reading—Psalm lxvi.

O Lord, on this the evening of the day on which Christ rose from the dead, we will make a joyful noise unto thee, and we pray that all lands may join with us in praising thee, in singing forth the honour of thy name, and in making thy praise glorious. O Lord, thou art terrible in thy works; may all the enemies of the cross submit themselves to thee, under thy great power. May the whole earth worship thee; may all flesh see the work of God in creation, providence, redemption, and praise thee for thy greatness, and thy mercy and loving-kindness to the sons of men. This evening continue to us thy

goodness, and increase of strength, and grace, and guidance from on high. Follow the services of this day with the blessing that maketh truly rich; and convince and convert them that are aliens and strangers to the gospel. May thy people evermore go into thy house with praise, and into thy gates with thanksgiving; and may many that are ignorant day by day come and hear what God hath done for those who fear his name. Pour out thy Holy Spirit upon all flesh. Pardon our sins, even the sins of our solemn things, through the blood of the everlasting covenant. Clothe us with the Redeemer's righteousness; accept of us in his name; and help us, not only with our lips, but in our lives, to magnify thy great name, and to set forth thy loving-kindness from day to day. And when the sabbaths of time have all closed, may we be admitted into that true sabbath, the rest that remaineth for the people of God. Hear these our petitions; accept of these our praises for all the goodness that thou hast made to pass before us: for all we ask is for the Redeemer's sake, in whose words we sum up our petitions. Our Father, &c.

Monday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Isaiah v. 20–30.

O Lord, pour into our understandings the light of thy truth, and into our hearts the influence of thy grace. Give us discernment from on high never to call good evil, nor to put darkness for light, nor light for darkness; nor to put bitter for sweet, nor sweet for bitter. Forbid, O Lord, that we should be wise in our own eyes, or prudent in our own sight. May we never justify the wicked for reward, or take away the righteousness of the righteous from him. O Lord, may we rejoice to do justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thee our God. May we prove ourselves a holy nation, a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a peculiar people, showing forth

this day the praises of him who hath called us from darkness into his marvellous light. May we walk as ensamples of whatsoever things are pure, and just, and honest, and lovely, and of good report. May thy Holy Spirit, who only is able, help us to add to our faith virtue, and to virtue temperance, and to temperance patience, and to patience brotherly-kindness, and to brotherly-kindness charity. May we prove ourselves living epistles, written, not with pen and ink, but by the Holy Ghost, and seen and read of all men. Create in us clean hearts, O Lord, and renew right spirits within us. Take not thy Holy Spirit away from us, we beseech thee. Lift up an ensign to the nations speedily. Let Jew and Gentile come to the brightness of the Redeemer's rising; let the whole earth be covered with the knowledge of thee as the waters cover the channels of the great deep. Remove every obstruction to the spread of thy truth; level high places; raise valleys; send thy messenger before thy face. In our district, our city, our country, do thou prosper thy cause, and promote thy kingdom in each heart. We begin another week with calling upon thy name, and imploring thy presence. Be with us, O Lord, in all our ways; keep our eyes from tears, our feet from falling, and our souls from death. Perfect that which concerneth us, O Lord. Let thy presence go with us into all scenes, and circumstances, and duties. These, and all other mercies for ourselves and all mankind, we humbly ask in the name and through the merits of Christ Jesus. Amen.

Monday Evening.

Scripture Reading—1 Corinthians xii.

O Lord, our heavenly Father, pour out thy Holy Spirit, we beseech thee, upon thy whole church, and give to each the manifestation of thy Spirit to profit withal. Grant, we beseech thee, that we may have, above all, that true love which is better than power. May we remember that though we have

faith that can remove mountains, and have not charity, it is vain. May we be baptized by thy Holy Spirit; may our nature be regenerated by his quickening and sanctifying power, may He teach us of the excellency, glory, and perfection of the sacrifice and intercession of the Son of God, and incline our hearts to trust in him as the only Saviour of sinners. May each of us know his place, and in that place serve and honour thee, and do good to others. May we never forget that we are members one of another, and that each has need of the other, and that all have need day by day of new supplies of wisdom and grace from thee, the Fountain of all goodness, the Author of all our blessings. May all whom thou hast set in thy church teach us; may evangelists and prophets speak thy word with all boldness, live the truth with all consistency, and devote themselves under thee to make known thy ways upon earth, and thy saving health among all nations. May it please thee to bless us who are here before thee. Enable us to close this day with praise, as we commenced it with prayer. Let the words of our mouths, and the meditations of our hearts, be acceptable in thy sight. Forgive us all our sins in the name of Jesus; heal all our diseases; bless us with all needed spiritual, temporal, and eternal blessings. All we ask is for Jesus' sake. Amen.

Tuesday Morning.

Scripture Reading—Isaiah vi.

Lord, to whom can we come but unto thee? thou hast the words of eternal life. We praise thee, O God; we acknowledge thee to be the Lord. All the earth doth worship thee, the Father everlasting. To thee all angels cry aloud; to thee cherubim and seraphim continually do cry, Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.

O Lord, may we feel humbled by the revelation of thy greatness, holiness, and majesty. Like thy servant Job, may we abhor ourselves, feeling that we are but dust and ashes. We are men, O Lord, of unclean lips; we dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; and our eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts. Do thou sprinkle our hearts with the atoning blood of thy dear Son. Do thou clothe us, and make us righteous, in the righteousness of him who was made sin for us, that we might be made the righteousness of God by him. Do thou circumcise our ears; do thou touch our hearts by a live coal from the altar. Help us to fear, and love, and glorify thy great name. Do thou pronounce thine own absolution in each individual heart—Thine iniquity is taken away, and thy sin is purged. Do thou send us where thou seest we can most serve thy cause, and honour thee, and do good to souls. May we be ever waiting, and ever willing to obey thy will, and to promote thy kingdom, and to spend and be spent for Christ's sake. Make not our hearts fat, nor our ears heavy. Shut not our eyes, O Lord. May we see with our eyes, and hear with our ears, and understand with our hearts, and be converted, all of us, and be healed. May thy Holy Spirit teach us. Make clean, O God, our hearts within us. Strengthen us for all that lies before us. This day keep our feet from falling, our eyes from tears, and our souls from death. Guide us by thy counsel; hold us by thy right hand. May we ever feel, "Thou God seest us;" and do thou bless us in our basket and in our store, in our going out and coming in. Give us neither poverty nor riches, O our Father, but graciously feed us with food convenient for us. Let thy blessing descend this day on the thoughts of our heads, the affections of our hearts, and the work of our hands. All we ask is for the Redeemer's sake. Amen.

Tuesday Evening.

Scripture Reading — 1 Corinthians xiii.

O Lord, who art declared in thy holy word to be love, may it please thee to pour into our hearts this most excellent grace of charity. May we have that faith which worketh by love, which purifieth the heart, which overcometh the world. May we prefer to love thee and our brethren of mankind, more than to speak with the tongue of angels. Grant that we may prefer love to prophecy. May we feel that it is possible to feed the poor, to give away our goods, and to suffer martyrdom, and yet not to have love. May the love of God in Christ Jesus dwell in our hearts. May we suffer long, and be kind; may we envy not; may we never vaunt ourselves, or be puffed up. Enable us never to behave unseemly, not to seek our own, not to be easily provoked, and to think no evil. Give us grace to rejoice, not in iniquity, but always in the truth. May we, by thy grace, remembering how sinful we are, and how much thou hast forgiven us, bear all things, believe all things, hope all things, endure all things. May this grace in our hearts be visible in our lives, and so prove to the world that we are the children of our Father in heaven, and have his Spirit, and follow the example that Christ has left us. May we be satisfied now to know in part; may we hope for entrance into that blessed state, in which we shall no more see through a glass darkly, but face to face, and where we shall know even as we are known. May it please thee, O Lord, to forgive us all our sins against charity, and to give us that true repentance which is not to be repented of; and this night bestow upon us and ours thy Fatherly blessing; continue thy good presence; guide us by thy counsel, and afterwards receive us to thy glory. During the silent watches of the night let thy presence be over us and around us. Look down in mercy and loving-kindness upon all the habitations of thy people throughout the whole world. Arise and shine on the dark places of the

earth. Manifest the Saviour in all his glory and sufficiency to them that are ignorant of him. Let the whole earth very soon be filled with his praise. In our hearts, and under this roof, may faith, hope, and charity abide this night and evermore. We implore these and all other mercies requisite for us, through Christ the Lord. Amen.

Wednesday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Isaiah vii. 1–16.

O Lord, our heavenly Father, holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts, we thank thee that whatsoever things were written aforetime were written for our learning, that we through patience and faith might understand thy holy word, and rejoice in thy great salvation. We praise thee for the promise of a Saviour; we thank thee that thou didst reveal him to the house of David, and to the inhabitants of Jerusalem, as the light to lighten the Gentiles, and the glory of his people Israel. We praise thee that our eyes have seen, and our ears have heard, what many prophets and righteous men desired to see, and were not permitted. We thank thee that when there was no eye to pity us, no ear to hear us, and no hand to help us, that thine eye did pity us, and thy right hand brought us salvation. We bless and adore thee, O God, the Father of an infinite majesty, who reignest and rulest over all, that a virgin has conceived, and borne a Son, and that we know that his name is Immanuel. We thank thee that whilst on Sinai thou art a God against us, and in creation a God above us, in Christ thou art Immanuel, God with us. We praise and bless thee that God was manifest in the flesh, seen of angels, justified in the Spirit, believed on in the world, preached unto the Gentiles, and received up into glory. We bless thee, O Redeemer of saints, that thou didst not abhor the virgin's womb; and that when thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death, thou didst

open the kingdom of heaven to all believers. May we be remembered in thy intercession; do thou plead and intercede for us at the right hand of the Father. May we be kept through faith unto salvation, ready to be revealed in the last times, by thy interceding presence and power. This day, O Lord, do thou keep us. May we live under a sense of gratitude and responsibility to thee; may our hearts rejoice in thee; may we do thy will, not as slaves, but as sons; and find the yoke of Christ to be easy, and his burden to be light. O Lord, command thy blessing upon all we undertake this day; perfect thy strength in our weakness. Make thy grace sufficient for us. Guide us in every perplexity; defend us from every peril; deliver us from all evil, and lead us into no temptation. May we set thee before us, and in all our ways acknowledge thee, and do thou direct us. Keep us from falling. Hold up our goings. All we ask is for our Redeemer's sake. Amen.

Wednesday Evening.

Scripture Reading — 1 Corinthians xiv. 1–19.

O Lord, to whom can we come but unto thee; thou hast the words of eternal life. Enter not into judgment with thy servants, O Lord; for in thy sight shall no man living be justified. If thou, O Lord, shouldest mark iniquity, O Lord, who could stand? But there is forgiveness with thee, that thou mayest be feared. We humbly beseech thee to hear us at the close of another day, to supply all our wants, pardon all our sins, and heal our manifold diseases, in the name and through the mediation of the Great Physician, the only Saviour, and our ever-living Intercessor at thy right hand, the Lord Jesus Christ. May we speak the words of sincerity and truth; may we live a life consistent with the obligations of thy precious gospel. May we pray with the spirit, and sing with the spirit and with the understanding; and may all that are around us, and connected with us in the relationships and

duties of this present world, hear us speak thy words, and see us living the life of thy Son. May the life that we live be the life of the Son of God, who loved us, and gave himself for us. May thy glorious gospel be preached in every tongue; may it be received by every nation; may the kingdoms of this world be vocal with thy praise; and may all flesh know, and love, and rejoice in thy great salvation. Look upon the ignorant, and enlighten them; have mercy on the thoughtless, and convert them; turn the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom of the just; make thy ways known upon the earth, and thy saving health among all nations. Let the people praise thee, O God, let all the people praise thee. Let the earth yield her increase, and God, our own God, do thou bless us. May we be each in his place a missionary, and always and every where commend by our silent lives, if not in our speech, the only Saviour. Let the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God our Father, and the communion of the Holy Ghost the Comforter, be with us all this night and ever. Bow down thine ear and hear us, and help us, and bless us this night, for the Redeemer's sake. Amen.

Thursday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Isaiah viii. 1–20.

O Lord, we draw near to thee: for it is good for us to draw near to thee, O God. We praise and bless thee for our creation, and all the distinctions by which it is marked; for our preservation, and all the blessings, daily and ceaseless, of this present life; but above all, for thine inestimable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. We thank thee that he took our nature upon him, and died for us, the just for the unjust, to bring us unto God. We thank thee that he finished transgression, made an end of sin, and brought in everlasting righteousness. We pray, O most mer-

ciful Father, that the glory which we have seen, may be seen by all lands, and that this blessed gospel which has been the savour of life unto us, may be the savour of life to increasing thousands, day by day. O Lord, may we rejoice in thy word as the perfect revelation of thy holy will; may we bring all questions to it; may we be guided by it; may we submit our judgments, hearts, imaginations, and lives, to its guidance. Do thou open our eyes, that we may see wonderful things out of thy law. May we accept nothing as essential to everlasting happiness which is not revealed therein. Do thou shine into our understandings, that we may see the light of thy truth in the countenance of Jesus Christ. O God, change our hearts. May we have grace to sanctify thee, the Lord of hosts, this day. Be thou our fear, be thou our dread, be thou our sanctuary, be thou the rock that is higher than we, to which we may continually resort, and building upon which we never shall be moved. O Lord, arise and shine, and let all flesh see thy salvation. Hear us, and help us this day, and bless with every needed, pledged, and promised mercy, for the Lord Jesus' sake. Amen.

Thursday Evening.

Scripture Reading — 1 Corinthians xiv. 20–40.

O Lord, our heavenly Father, pour down upon thy whole church, we heartily beseech thee, thy Holy Spirit. Arm thy ministering servants with thy wisdom; endue their hearts richly with thy grace. O thou, to whom all hearts be open, and all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid, cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit. May we worship thee in spirit and in truth; may we love thee with all our heart; may we serve thee with all our strength. Write thy holy will on our hearts, we beseech thee. We pray that whatever thou hast seen amiss in our walk this day, it may please thee to blot out and forgive, through the blood of the everlasting covenant. May it please

thee to give us thy Holy Spirit, to enable us to walk conformably to thy will, in all things adorning the doctrine we profess, and looking for the coming of the Son of man. May we covet the best gifts; may we do all things decently and in order. May the God of all peace be in the midst of us; may the blessing that maketh rich, light upon us; may the overshadowing wings of thy Providence be over us this night; and if spared to another day, may we rise refreshed and strengthened to do thy will, and to serve thee in life or in death, and to enjoy thee when time shall be no more. We beseech thee, O most merciful Father, to look down in thy loving-kindness and tender mercy upon us, and all flesh. Visit with thy salvation the far off heathen — the misguided Jew — the victims of the great Western apostasy, and the subjects of the Mahomedan delusion. Have mercy, we beseech thee, on all heretics, infidels, and all who in creed or conduct deny the truth as it is in Christ Jesus. Keep us, O God of peace, this night, we beseech thee. Let thy mercy be upon us now and evermore. Let these, the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts, be acceptable in thy sight; in the name of our only Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Friday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Isaiah ix. 1–17.

O Lord, our Father who art in heaven, we bless and praise thee for all the blessings and the mercies of thy providence and grace. We thank thee that the people that walked in darkness have seen a great light, and that thousands that dwelt in the land of the shadow of death have the light shining upon them. O God, increase in the midst of us our joy. Shine still upon the dark places of our land. Help our hearts to rejoice before thee, according to the joy in harvest, and as men rejoice who divide the spoil. Blessed Lord, may we in

our hearts hail the Son of God as the Wonderful, the Counsellor, the Mighty God, the Father of the age to come, the Prince of Peace. In all these characters may he be dear to us; in all these offices may we trust in him. May he be made to us wisdom, righteousness, sanctification, redemption. O Lord, of the increase of his government and of his peace, let there be no end. Order his kingdom, and establish it from henceforth, even for evermore. Let thy zeal, Almighty Father, speedily perform this. May we feel that by the deeds of law we cannot be justified. May we see in our hearts a want that nothing but thy grace can supply. May we come to Christ hungry, and find the bread of life; thirsty, and find the water of life; weak, and sorrowful, and sad, and return rejoicing. Extend to the uttermost ends of the earth, and to the isles of the sea, these glad tidings. Raise up faithful men to preach them; remove obstructions to the spread of thy truth. Be with us this day in all our works, and ways, and wanderings. Keep us from falling. Lead us and guide us. May thy grace be sufficient for us. Hasten the advent of thy Son, and his reign for ever and ever. All we ask is in the name and through the merits of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Friday Evening.

Scripture Reading — 1 Corinthians xv. 1–32.

O Lord, we thank thee that our ears have heard, and our hearts have felt, the glad tidings of the glorious gospel. We thank thee for the good news, that Jesus died for our sins according to the Scriptures. We thank thee for his resurrection from the dead, his ascension to thy right hand, his living to make intercession for us, and his promise to come again to receive us to himself. May we be found on that day an acceptable people; may we be among the manifested sons of God; may we share in the first resurrection; may we shine as the stars for ever and ever; may we be raised at the last day,

and made alive in Christ. O Lord, we rejoice to know that all Christ's enemies must be put under his feet. May we be among those who shall be able to say at that day, O death, where is thy sting? O grave where is thy victory? May this hope cheer us; may the prospect of admission to thy presence, where there is the fulness of joy and where there are pleasures for evermore, animate and strengthen us in duty, support us in trials, and make us through Jesus Christ more than conquerors. We pray that the blessed hope that we have may reach the hearts and influence the lives of all who are connected with us. We pray that whatever sins thou hast seen in our thoughts, our words, or our works this day, may be washed away in that blood, which still cleanseth from all sin. May we be renewed more and more in the image of Christ Jesus. In life and in death may we be found in him. In lying down and rising up may we rest under his blessing, and beneath his protecting presence. Keep our feet from falling, and our eyes from tears. Let thy mercy be upon us, even as we put our trust in thee. Guide us by thy counsel, hold us by thy right hand, and unite us all with the family in heaven, through Christ the Saviour. Amen.

Saturday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Isaiah x. 1–16.

O Lord, we humbly beseech thee to look down, first, upon us thy servants before thee, and next, upon a world that lieth in sin and in the wicked one. O Lord, do thou save the needy that are turned wide from judgment; protect the right of the poor of thy people; save the widow and the fatherless from being the prey of the wicked. O God, may righteousness run down our streets like a river; may a sense of thy presence pervade every heart; may thy kingdom come—that kingdom which is righteousness, and peace, and joy. May thy will be

done in us, and by us, and through us, even as it is done in heaven; may thy name be hallowed from the rising of the sun to the going down of the same in all the high and low places of the earth. Do thou give us, O Lord, daily bread; feed us with food convenient for us. Give us not poverty, lest we steal; give us not riches, lest we forget thee; give us neither poverty nor riches, but feed us with food convenient for us. O most merciful Father, do thou deliver us from every evil,—from sin, the great and chief evil. Blot out our sins through the Saviour's sacrifice, and sanctify our hearts by thy Holy Spirit. Lead us not into temptation, in which we shall fall, but strengthen us in the midst of it; make us more than conquerors through Him who loved us. Let the Light of Israel be for a fire, and his Holy One for a flame upon the earth. Let all idols be removed from all lands, and all graven images from Jerusalem and Samaria. Let the Lord perform this by his strength and by his wisdom; and to him be given all the glory This day, blessed Lord, supply all our wants, comfort us in all our trials, clear to us perplexities and doubts, enrich us with grace. Help us to close this week in thy fear; and if spared to commence another week, may it be with praise and fresh devotedness to thee. All we ask is through the mediation of Him who is our only sacrifice; to whom, with thee, and the Holy Spirit, be everlasting praises. May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost, be with us all this day, and evermore. Amen.

Saturday Evening.

Scripture Reading—1 Corinthians xv. 33–58.

O Lord, we thank thee that all Scripture was written for our learning; we bless thee for the tidings it contains, for the rules it prescribes, and for the blessed prospects which it holds out to them that fear thee, and are redeemed by thy dear Son.

O Lord, grant, we earnestly beseech thee, that when the trumpet shall sound, and Christ shall come, we may be either among the dead in Christ, or among those that are alive in Christ at his coming. Justified by faith, may we have peace with him. O Lord, we thank thee for the prospect of the resurrection of the dead; we thank thee that this body, sown in dishonour, will be raised in glory; sown in weakness, will be raised in power. May we be members of the second Adam; may we bear his heavenly image. Make us inheritors of the kingdom of God; remove from our hearts all that is corrupt; sanctify us wholly. Let this corruptible put on, even now, incorruption, and this mortal, immortality. O Lord, in the prospect of such blessed things, and in the hope of such victory, may we even now give thanks to God, even our Father, who giveth us the victory through Jesus Christ. May we by thy Holy Spirit be enabled all the days of our pilgrimage, always and every where, to be steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as we know that our labour is not in vain in the Lord. Write upon our hearts, by thy Holy Spirit, not only thy laws, but also thy promises, and these blessed hopes. May that faith which is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen, be strengthened and nourished every day within us. May mountains be removed from our minds, and difficulties made clear to our hearts. Take thou the glory; give us the good; for Jesus' sake, in whose name and words we sum up our prayers. Our Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, As it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, The power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

THIRTY-FOURTH WEEK.

Sabbath Morning.

SCRIPTURE READING — Psalm lxvii.

O LORD, our heavenly Father, who reignest in the heavens, and art exalted high above all, whose throne is surrounded with majesty and greatness, who art great, and greatly to be praised, we lift our hearts unto thee, and praise thee as the Creator, the Preserver, the beginning and the end, of all things. O Lord, be thou merciful to us; for with thee there is forgiveness, that thou mayest be feared; and let thy mercy lighten upon us. Through Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Redeemer, be pleased to bless us with all spiritual and heavenly blessings, and to cause the light of thy countenance to shine upon us, and to do us good. The Lord bless us, and keep us. The Lord lift up his countenance upon us, and be gracious. The Lord lift up the light of his countenance upon us, and give us peace. We pray for these, and for all blessings that we truly need, not for our own sakes only, but that we may be the means of spreading thy gospel amongst all mankind. Be merciful to us, and bless us, and cause thy face to shine upon us; that thy way may be known upon earth, and thy saving health among all nations. May we be found in Christ, the way, the truth, and the life. May we walk with thee, as thy servants Enoch and Noah walked with thee, and so enter into rest. May we be lights in the midst of the world; may we be as the salt on the earth; and through us may the nations learn that thou reignest, and that Christ died for our sins, the just for the unjust, in order to bring us unto thee. This day, O Lord, may the people praise thee, as they have never praised thee before. Very soon may all the people praise thee. O make known to the nations the glorious tidings of a Saviour, that they may be glad, and sing for joy. Lord, judge the people righteously, and govern the nations upon

earth. Hasten the time when the earth shall be restored from the pressure of the curse, and when its wilderness and solitary places shall rejoice, and blossom as the rose. May the earth soon yield her increase; and, O God, who art our God, do thou bless us. Bless thy ministering servants who shall this day preach the everlasting gospel. Bless all the people who shall enjoy the great privilege of hearing it. Give the hearing ear, and the understanding heart. Do thou, according to thy promise, bless us in our going out and in our coming in, in our basket and in our store, in our lying down and in our rising up. We believe thy promise that thou wilt bless us, and that all the ends of the earth shall fear thee. May Christ's name be exalted above every name; may all bless him, and be blessed in him; may the whole earth be filled with his glory. Let thy holy word be circulated more extensively on earth. Raise up and multiply every where faithful and devoted ministers of the gospel, who shall preach the truth with growing earnestness, and power, and efficiency. Gather into the one fold thine ancient and now scattered people the Jews. Turn their hearts, O Lord, to thyself. Open their eyes. Take the veil off their hearts. Bless them, that they may be a blessing: through Jesus Christ, our Saviour. Amen.

Sabbath Evening.

Scripture Reading — Psalm lxviii. 1–20.

O Lord, do thou arise, and scatter all thine enemies; but, blessed Lord, let the righteous be glad in thee, even they who are made righteous by the righteousness of Christ imputed to them. O Lord, may they rejoice before thee continually, even all the day long: yea, let them exceedingly rejoice. Enable us to feel, that in thy blessed gospel there is every reason for our joy. O Lord, thou who art the Father of the fatherless, and the Judge of the widow, who reignest in thy holy habitation, we pray that thou wouldest pour down richly thy blessing

upon all the families of the earth, and unite them to that family, of which thou art the Father, and Christ the elder Brother. Set the solitary in families, O Lord; bring into glorious liberty those who are bound with the chains of sin. Hasten the manifestation of thyself as the Lord God, merciful and gracious, long-suffering, keeping mercy for thousands, abundant in goodness and truth, forgiving iniquity, transgression, and sin. Send down a plentiful rain upon thy heritage, O Lord, we beseech thee; and do thou strengthen it when it is weary. Provide of thy goodness for the poor in spirit, and for the poor in circumstances; and grant that they who are desolate may trust and rejoice in thee. O Lord, give forth thy word; increase and multiply the company of them that publish it. May thy church that has long lien among the pots, be as the wings of a dove covered with silver, and her feathers with gold. O thou, whose chariots are twenty thousand, even thousands of angels; who, when thou hadst opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers, ascendedst up on high, leading captivity captive; who hast received gifts for men, even for the rebellious, that the Lord God might dwell among them;—gracious and merciful Saviour, grant us these gifts. Pour upon us thy grace; load us daily with thy benefits, according to thy great liberality. Keep us this night by thy power, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Monday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Isaiah x. 20–34.

O Lord, at the commencement of another week, we lift up our eyes to thy throne, and worship thee, the living and the true God, who art, and wast, and art to come. O Lord, we desire to stay our hearts, our hopes, and our trust upon thee, the Lord, the Holy One of Israel. May we worship thee in spirit and in truth; may we fear thee while the sun and moon

endure; with angels and with archangels may we cry continually, Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts. Hasten that blessed day when thy people Israel shall return, and when the consumption decreed shall overflow with righteousness. May the Saviour be revealed to them as the glory of his people Israel. O Lord, stir up thy strength, and visit with thy mercy the Gentiles who are in darkness and in the shadow of death. May they who dwell in the uttermost parts of the earth hear the glad tidings, and rejoice in thee the Rock of their salvation. Pardon all our sins, O Lord; our suspicion, our distrust, our unworthiness of the least of thy mercies, our hard thoughts of thee, our words spoken which cannot be unspoken, our deeds done which cannot be undone, do thou pardon all, through the atoning death, and passion, and mediation of Jesus Christ, our Prince and our Redeemer. Be with us this day, as thou hast been with us in times past. Spread over us thy shield; feed us with daily bread; satisfy our mouths with good things; guide us by thy counsel; help us ever to feel, Thou God seest us; lead us into no temptation; deliver us from every evil. May the lessons we learned, and the motives and hopes we gathered and felt on thy holy day, last throughout the whole of this week. Perfect thy strength in our weakness. May thy grace be sufficient for us. Bless us with all promised, pledged, and needed blessings and mercies: and all that we ask is in the name of Him who laid down his life a ransom for us; to whom, with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, we ascribe the kingdom, the power, and the glory, now and evermore. Amen.

Monday Evening.

Scripture Reading—1 Corinthians xvi.

O Lord, we come to thee, who art the hearer of prayer, and we bless and praise thee with one heart and mouth for thy goodness and loving-kindness to us this day and always. We thank thee that thou hast renewed to us again our daily bread.

We praise thee that thou feedest us with the finest of the wheat, and makest our cup to run over. We thank thee that thou so lovedst us, that thou gavest thine only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him might not perish, but have eternal life. We bless thee that our ears have heard the joyful sound: may our hearts be made glad by it. May our faith, confidence, and hope in the Saviour be increased, and flourish more and more. O Lord, give us grace to watch, to stand fast in the faith, to quit ourselves like men, to be strong. Give us grace, we beseech thee, to do all things in charity. O Lord, may we love the Lord Jesus Christ with all our heart, and all our soul, and all our strength. May we work the work of the Lord while it is called to-day. May there be opened more and more a great door and effectual for thy ministering servants throughout the whole earth. May the time soon come, when all shall love the Saviour, and all the people shall be righteous. O gracious Father, keep us this night, spread over us the wing of thy providential power; be our shield, defend us from every peril, strengthen us for every duty, and prepare us for every trial that may be before us in this world; and when this world is finished, may there be granted us an abundant entrance into thy heavenly kingdom, through Him who loved us, and gave himself for us. Teach us thy holy word, and help us to grow in the knowledge and enjoyment of its blessed truths more and more. Take away from our minds their prejudices, their prepossessions, their errors and ignorance. Take from our hearts, by the operation of thy blessed Spirit, all passion, avarice, hatred, ill-will, and uncharitableness. Hear these our humble petitions, and answer us according to thy great mercy, in the name of Him who died for us. The Lord bless us, and keep us. The Lord lift up his countenance upon us, and be gracious to us. The Lord lift up the light of his countenance upon us, and give us peace, through Christ the Saviour. Amen.

Tuesday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Isaiah xi.

O Lord, we draw near to thy footstool in the name of Him who is the rod out of the stem of Jesse, and the branch from his roots. O God, may there rest upon us the spirit of wisdom and of understanding, the spirit of counsel and of might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord. O Lord, give us thy Holy Spirit, that the eyes of our understanding may be opened, that prejudices may be removed from our minds, that evil passions may be broken around our hearts, and that in the light of thy truth we may see thy only Son, our only Saviour, and rejoice in him all the day long. Pardon all our sins through his blood; renew our hearts by his Spirit; sanctify to us our crosses; comfort us in our bereavements and our trials. Let that day come right speedily, when Jesus shall judge the poor with righteousness, and reprove with equity for the meek of the earth, when righteousness shall be the girdle of his loins, and faithfulness the girdle of his reins. O let the groans of creation cease, let the sons of God soon be manifest; let the wolf dwell with the lamb, and the leopard lie down with the kid; and the calf, and the young lion, and the fatling together; and a little child shall lead them. Grant, O Lord, that Jesus may soon appear an ensign of the people. May the Gentiles seek to him with their whole heart and strength; and may his rest soon be manifest as glorious. We pray that when his judgments are abroad, the nations of the earth may learn wisdom. Give us grace, O Lord, to live to thee, and to be witnesses for thee, and to be the humble, and yet the honoured instruments of making known thy way upon earth. Hasten that blessed day, when all shall know thee, and they shall not hurt nor destroy in all thy holy mountain. Let the earth be full of the knowledge of the Lord, as the waters cover the sea. Hear our

petitions, O God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, in his name, and for his sake. And unto him who is able to keep us from falling, and to present us faultless before thy presence in glory with exceeding joy, be all honour and praise. Amen.

Tuesday Evening.

Scripture Reading — 2 Corinthians i.

Heavenly Father, we draw near to thee at the close of another day, with the voice of thanksgiving and of praise. Blessed be thou, the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies, the God of all comfort, for thou only comfortest us in all our tribulation, that we may be able to comfort them who are in any trouble by the comfort by which we ourselves are comforted of thee. O Lord, may we feel that we are stewards of the good that we receive from thee, and be ready to communicate, abounding in every good work, and walking in every holy way. If the sufferings of Christ abound in us, may our consolation by Christ be yet more abundant. O Lord, may we be steadfast; and as we may be partakers of the sufferings, may we be partakers richly of the consolation of Christ. Heavenly Father, deliver us, we beseech thee, from death, and raise us to everlasting life. O Lord, increase our trust and confidence in that blessed Saviour who bore our sins in his own body on the tree, and rose again for our justification. May our rejoicing this night by thy Holy Spirit be the testimony of our conscience that in simplicity and godly sincerity, not with fleshly wisdom, but by the grace of God, we have had our conversation in the world. O Lord, fulfil to us all thy promises, which are yea and amen in Christ Jesus, unto the glory of thy name. Blessed Lord, anoint us from on high; seal us by thy Holy Spirit; give us the earnest of the redemption in our hearts; may we have a foretaste of glory, to strengthen and cheer us in our pilgrimage upon earth. O Lord, we pray for all the ministers of thy

gospel, not that they may have dominion over our faith, but that they may be helpers of our joy. Strengthen them that do stand; comfort all them that mourn; raise up them that be bowed down; and bless all thy people: and all we beg is in the name and through the merits of thy dear Son, our only Saviour, Prince, and Redeemer, Jesus Christ. May grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, be with us all this night and evermore. Amen.

Wednesday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Isaiah xii.

O Lord, we desire to praise thee. Though thou wast angry with us, thine anger is turned away; and through Christ, the way, the truth, and the life, thou hast comforted us. O Lord, be thou our salvation; deliver us, we beseech thee, from the curse of sin, through the blood of Him who is our only propitiation; and from the power and pollution of sin, by thy Holy Spirit dwelling within us, sanctifying us wholly, and making us meet for the inheritance of the saints in light. Create in us clean hearts, O Lord: renew right spirits within us; take not away thy Holy Spirit from us. Hide thy face from our sins, blot out all our iniquities, and in wrath remember mercy. O Lord, increase our faith. We believe; help our unbelief. May we, when we fear, stay ourselves upon the name of God, and trust, and not be afraid. O Lord Jehovah, be thou our strength, enabling us to meet every difficulty, to overcome in every trial, and to run patiently the race set before us, looking unto Jesus, the author and the finisher of our faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at thy right hand. O Lord God Almighty, our Father, be thou our joy and our song; be thou the beginning and the end of our salvation. May we give the glory of it to thee; and do thou bestow upon us richly the blessings,

the peace, and the joy of it. Sabbath after sabbath may we draw water out of the wells of salvation with increased delight; and during the week-days may we, in the strength of our refreshment received in the sanctuary, serve thee with increase of energy and delight. O Lord, we praise thee; we would call upon thy name; we would worship thee as the God and strength of our salvation. Give us grace to declare thy doings among the people, and to make mention that thy name is exalted over all the earth. O Lord, we would sing unto thee with our whole heart. We praise thee, we acknowledge thee to be the Lord. All the earth doth worship thee, the Father everlasting. Thou art the King of glory, O Christ. Thou art the only Comforter, O blessed and eternal Spirit. Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, thou hast done excellent things: this is known in all the earth. O Holy One of Israel, be thou in the midst of us this day, and all the days and nights of our pilgrimage upon earth — our Light in darkness, our guide in difficulties, our portion upon earth; and when time, and things now seen and temporal, shall be no more, be thou our exceeding great reward. Bless our country, our President, and all in authority over us. Hear us in the name of Jesus Christ our Saviour. And unto Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, one God, we ascribe all honour and glory, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Wednesday Evening.

Scripture Reading — 2 Corinthians ii.

O Lord, to whom can we come but unto thee? Thou hast the words of eternal life. Enter not into judgment with thy servants, O Lord; for in thy sight shall no man living be justified. O Lord, if thou shouldest mark iniquity, who could stand? But there is forgiveness with thee, that thou mayest be feared; with our God there is plenteous redemption. This evening we come to thee, trusting in the truth of thy manifold

promises, and in thy great love in Jesus Christ our only Saviour; and we beseech thee, of thy great compassion to blot out all our sins like a cloud, and our transgressions like a thick cloud, for his name's sake. May thy Holy Spirit take possession of our hearts, and defend us from every evil, so that Satan may never have an advantage of us. O Lord, enlighten us in a knowledge of Satan's devices, that in thy name we may be able to resist him, so that he may flee from us. May thy gospel be to us a savour of life unto life. O Lord, forbid that it should be to any of us a savour of death. Give thy ministering servants throughout the whole world much wisdom, direction, and steadfastness from on high, that they may make known the unsearchable riches of Christ with all power, and be a sweet savour of Christ in them that are saved. Make them sufficient for these great duties by thy Holy Spirit, and by pouring out upon them thine abundant grace; and do thou hasten, either by their means or in thy sovereignty, that blessed day, when the mountain of the Lord's house shall be exalted on the tops of the mountains, and all nations shall flow into it; and incense and a pure offering shall be offered unto thy name, and thy name shall be great among the Gentiles. Bless us, O God, who are here met together, and cause thy face to shine upon us; supply all our wants, satisfy us from the treasures and stores of thy mercy; and when thou hast answered the wise purposes of thy providence here below, receive us to thy right hand, where there are joys and pleasures for evermore. This we beg for the Redeemer's name's sake. Amen.

Thursday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Isaiah xiv. 1–17.

O Lord, have mercy upon Jacob; visit thine outcast and down-trodden people Israel; set them again in their own land, we beseech thee, and let strangers be joined to them, and

cleave to the house of Jacob. Arise, and have mercy upon Zion; let the set time to favour her draw near. Visit thine ancient people in thy great mercy, and turn their hearts, and enable them to see that the same Christ, who is the light to lighten the Gentiles, is also the glory of his people Israel. Remove the veil from their eyes; dispose their hearts to listen to the truth; hasten their glorious resurrection from the dead; let the dry bones live, and become an army of great men. O Lord, do thou humble the great by a sense of their frailty; do thou exalt the lowly by revealing to them thy goodness and thy mercy and thy love; and do thou enable us all so to pass through the things that are seen and temporal, that we lose not our hope of those things that are unseen and eternal. Bring down the man of sin; overthrow the false prophet; hasten, O God, the establishment of thy truth over all the earth, when all evil shall be cast out as an abominable branch, and all the kings of the nations shall recognise Him who is King of kings, and pride shall be laid low, and the humble and meek shall be exalted, and the pure in heart shall see thee. O Lord, do thou give grace to thy ministering servants throughout the world to preach the word, to be instant in season and out of season, to testify against evil: and do thou enable thy believing people to be ever ready to give an answer for the faith that is in them; to be steadfast, unmovable, ever abounding in the work of the Lord; letting their light so shine before them, that others seeing their good works may glorify thee their Father in heaven. May thy people hasten out of Babylon, knowing that its judgments are at hand; and may increasing numbers join themselves to thee. Lord, hear us, and help us, and bless us, and do for us and to us above all that we can ask or think; and when heart and flesh shall faint and fail, be thou our strength, our stay, and our refuge, O Holy One of Israel, for Christ's sake. Amen.

Thursday Evening.

Scripture Reading — 2 Corinthians iii.

O Lord, our Father who art in heaven, we lift our hearts unto thee, thou hearer of prayer: unto thee shall all flesh come. We thy children again come into thy presence and ask thy blessing. Iniquities, we must confess, prevail against us; but it is our belief, and it is thy promise, that our iniquities thou wilt purge away, through the atoning blood of Him who died, the just for the unjust, to bring us unto thee. O Lord, forgive us for his sake; lay not our sins to our charge, impute not to us our transgressions, but shed abroad in our hearts the blessedness of him whose sins are forgiven, and whose iniquities are blotted out. O merciful Father, may thy Holy Spirit be abundantly vouchsafed to us; may we be epistles of Christ written, not with pen and ink, but with the Spirit of God; not on tables of stone, but in fleshy tables of the heart. May our trust through Christ in thee be perfect. May we always feel that our only sufficiency is in thee, and that we are in ourselves not sufficient for any good thing. O Lord, look, we beseech thee, upon thine ancient people, who are wanderers over all the earth; take the veil from their hearts, enable them steadfastly to behold that glory which is revealed in Jesus Christ. O gracious God, may we with open face behold, as in a glass, the glory of the Lord, and be changed into the same image from glory to glory, as by the Spirit of the Lord. Fill our hearts with gratitude for another day's mercies. Keep us in thy fear and shed abroad in our hearts thy love, and watch over us this night, and enable us to trust in thee in days to come, as we have trusted, and been blessed, and never disappointed, in the days that are past. And bless all near and dear to us; and bless our president, and all over us in lawful authority. Do thou teach the legislators of the land, and give them the spirit of wisdom and understanding, and of the fear of the Lord. Look in great mercy and goodness on all thy church. Gather

into the only fold of the one Shepherd all such as have erred and strayed. Lengthen the cords and strengthen the stakes of thy Church. Add daily to it such as shall be saved. And let our land yield its increase; and do thou bless us, for our only Redeemer's name's sake. Amen.

Friday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Isaiah xv.

O Lord, fulfil, we beseech thee, thy promises, which are yea and amen in Jesus Christ. May thy purposes which thou hast purposed over all the earth be soon performed. Grant, we beseech thee, O Lord, that those who are far off from thee may be brought near, and that the nations of the earth may soon learn that thou hast founded Zion. Let the poor of the people trust in Christ, their Prince and their Redeemer. Let the nations of the earth hear the glad sound, and be made happy in the knowledge of thy great salvation. Give peace in our time, O Lord, we beseech thee. Turn the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom of the just. Hasten that blessed day when Moab shall be laid waste, and all high places shall be laid low, and Christ alone shall be exalted in that day. O Lord, show us thy mercy, and grant us thy salvation. Let thy mercy lighten upon us, O God, for we trust in thee. Blessed Redeemer, make us to be numbered with thy saints in glory everlasting. O thou who didst overcome the sharpness of death, and didst open the kingdom of heaven to all believers, increase our confidence in thee. May our hopes rest in thee; be thou in our affections all and in all. May we be found in thee, living for thee, walking with thee, and in all our ways acknowledging thee. May we remember we are not our own, but bought with a price; not with corruptible things, as with silver and gold, but with the precious blood of a Lamb without blemish and without spot. May we therefore show forth the

praises of Him who hath called us from darkness into his marvellous light. Keep us, O Lord, we beseech thee, this day without sin; lead us into no temptation; deliver us from all evil. Bless us and ours, and all near and dear to us, here present, or absent; and bind us all together in the bundle of everlasting life. Come with us this day into all the duties, employments, and enjoyments of this life, and enable us, we beseech thee, to feel always and every where, "Thou God seest us." Search us and try us, O God, and know our hearts, and see if there be any wicked way within us, and lead us in the way everlasting. Create in us clean hearts. Renew right spirits within us. Sow in our hearts the incorruptible seed. Make us fruitful trees for Jesus' sake, in whose name and words we sum up our prayers. Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, As it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, The power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

Friday Evening.

Scripture Reading — 2 Corinthians iv.

O God, the great Author and Maker of all things, in whom we live, and move, and have our being, we bow our hearts at thy footstool, and pray for thy grace, and blessing, and peace, at this time. May thy glorious gospel not be hid to us. Forbid, O God, that the god of this world should blind our minds, or that the light of the Spirit of God should not shine into them. O Lord, command the light to shine out of darkness. Shine into our hearts; give us, we beseech thee, the light of the knowledge of thy glory in the face of Jesus Christ thy dear Son. May we be witnesses for thee over all the earth; and while the treasure is in earthen vessels, oh, may increasing

numbers see and feel that the excellency of the power is of thee, and not of us. Save us from all peril. When troubled, may we not be distressed; when perplexed, may we not be in despair; when persecuted, may we not be forsaken; when cast down, may we not be destroyed. O Lord, we earnestly beseech thee to give us increased faith and confidence in Him who loved us, and gave himself for us. May we never faint; when our outward man perishes, oh, may the inward man, by thy Holy Spirit, be renewed day by day. May we ever feel, when most afflicted, that our light affliction, which is but for a moment, worketh for us a far more exceeding, even an eternal weight of glory. O Lord, give us grace not to look at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen. Heavenly Father, help us by thy Spirit to set our hearts upon things that are above. May we never forget that the brightest and best things which are seen, are temporal, and that the things only which are not seen, are eternal. O God, fix our hearts upon thyself. May our hopes and our treasure be with thee. In the world, may we not be of it. Keep our eyes from tears, our feet from falling, and our souls from death. Give us strength for duties, patience in tribulation, and peace always. Give us the victory. Make us conquerors. Make us sons, and if sons, heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Jesus Christ: to whom, with thee, and the Holy Spirit, be undivided praise and glory. Amen.

Saturday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Isaiah xvi.

O Lord, for the sake of the Lamb of God, who taketh away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us and bless us. O God, we humbly and heartily beseech thee to let the outcasts of the earth dwell with thee; for thou only art a covert to them from the face of evil. O Lord, establish thy throne in

mercy. Do thou hasten that day when mercy and truth shall be visibly manifest as having met together, and righteousness and peace shall openly kiss each other; and the Redeemer's throne shall be established above every throne, and all nations shall bless him, and be blessed in him. O Lord, keep us this day, we beseech thee, as thou hast kept us during the days of the week now passing away. Be thou our shield; supply all our wants; satisfy our mouths with good things; redeem our lives from destruction. Pardon all our sins and iniquities, through the precious sacrifice of thy dear Son; heal all our diseases by thy Holy Spirit dwelling and working within us. Create in us clean hearts; renew right spirits within us. Restore to us gladness and singing, and the joy of the harvest. O Lord, we humbly and heartily beseech thee to look upon thine ancient people, and visit them. Hasten the fulness of the Gentiles. In thy compassion pity all sick and suffering persons. Prepare the dying for death; enable the living to live for thee; and grant that they who have been separated in thy providence upon earth, may by thy grace be united in glory, and so be for ever with the Lord. Hear our prayers, for the sake of thy dear Son, in whose name and words we sum up our petitions, saying, Our Father, which art in heaven, &c.

Saturday Evening.

SCRIPTURE READING — 2 Corinthians v.

O LORD, thanks be to thee for the glorious hopes of the gospel. We do most heartily praise and bless thee that we know that if our earthly house of this tabernacle be dissolved, we have a building of God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. O Lord, grant, we beseech thee, that when this tabernacle is broken up, we may be clothed upon, and mortality swallowed up of life. O Lord, give us always to be confident, that whilst we are at home in the body, we are personally absent from thee, the Lord. Help us, by thy

Holy Spirit, to walk by faith, which is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen, and not by sight. Grant, O most merciful Father, through him who is our only Saviour, that when absent from the body we may be present with thee, the Lord. O God, when we all appear before the judgment-seat of Christ, to receive according to the deeds done in the body, whether they have been good or evil, may we be among those to whom he will say in that day, "Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world." May the love of Christ constantly constrain us. O Lord, may we live unto him who died for us and rose again. Gracious God, make us new creatures; may old things pass away, and all things become new. Holy Spirit, Eternal Teacher and Sanctifier, create in us clean hearts. We bless thee, O God, that thou art in Christ reconciling the world to thyself. Impute not to us our trespasses. O God, may Christ, who knew no sin, and was made sin for us, be our only atonement; and may we, who have done so much sin, be made righteousness through him: so that justified by faith we may have peace with thee, through Christ the Saviour. Graciously hear us, O Lord, in his name. May the peace that passeth all understanding keep our hearts and minds continually, through Jesus Christ our Lord; and may the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, rest and abide with us always. Amen.

THIRTY-FIFTH WEEK.

Sabbath Morning.

Scripture Reading — Psalm lxix. 1–20.

O Lord, we come to thee on this thy holy day as creatures to their Creator, as children to their Father, sinners to their God. Thou knowest, O Lord, our iniquities; and our sins are not hid from thee. They are more than can be numbered.

Enter not into judgment with thy servants, O Lord, for in thy sight no man living can be justified. Spare us, good Lord, we beseech thee. But, O Lord, we wait on thee who art the Lord God of hosts. Let us not be ashamed; let not those who seek thee be confounded, O God of Israel. Pardon our sins through the peace-speaking and atoning death of Him who was made sin for us, that we might be made the righteousness of God in him. Give us thy Holy Spirit, to increase within us true and lively faith, to spiritualize our affections, to give us that zeal for thine house, which becomes those who are redeemed at so great a price, and who owe so much to thee. Enable us to mourn indeed, that we may be comforted. O Lord, hear our prayers, we beseech thee; and let thy loving-kindness, which is good, visit us. Turn unto us according to the multitude of thy tender mercies. Hide not thy face from thy servants, who are here before thee. O Lord, draw near to our souls, and redeem them alike from the curse, and the power and influence of sin. May we hear this day the joyful sound with fresh delight. O Lord, deliver us from the curses that light upon them who have rejected thy law, and despised thy gospel; and grant that upon us there may rest all the blessings of them whom thou choosest and makest to approach unto thee. Hear, O Lord, the poor; despise not the prisoners of the earth. Visit the humble, exalt them, and raise them up. Save Zion, and build the cities of Judah. Let the seed of thine ancient servants inherit them, and let those who love thy name be blessed and prospered over all the earth. Hear us and help us, O God of our salvation, for the Redeemer's sake. May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost, be with us all this day. Amen

Sabbath Evening.

Scripture Readings — Psalm lxx; lxxi. 1–14.

O Lord, make haste to help us, make haste to deliver us, we beseech thee. O may all those that seek thee rejoice, and be glad in thee; and may such as love thy salvation have reason to say continually, Let God be magnified. O God, we are poor and needy, make haste to help us. O Lord, thou art our help and deliverer; O Lord, make no tarrying. In thee, O Lord, do we put our trust; let us never be put to confusion. Deliver us, O Lord, in thy righteousness; incline thine ear to us, and save us. Be thou our habitation, O thou who inhabitest the praises of Israel. Save us, O Lord, who art our rock and our fortress. Thou art our hope, O Lord; thou art our trust from our youth. For this day's mercies and privileges we thank thee; may the lessons we have learned sink deep into our hearts; may the truths that have been taught be accepted gladly by increasing numbers; may we, refreshed and strengthened by the bread of the sanctuary, even the bread of life, go forth in the strength of the Lord, and make mention of thy righteousness, even thine only. May we show forth thy salvation every day. O Lord, who hast done great things, there is none like unto thee. Show us, O God, thy mercy. Save us from trouble, O thou our strong refuge. O Lord, when we are old and grey-headed, forsake us not, until we have showed thy strength unto this generation, and thy power unto all that are around us. This night we would lie down under thy overshadowing wings. Comfort us, O Lord, on every side. Our lips will rejoice in thee, and our souls which thou hast redeemed; and our tongues shall talk of thy righteousness every day. O Lord, hear us, help us, and bless us for the sake of thy dear Son. We bless thee, O Lord, for thy word; we bless and praise thee for our sabbaths, for the means of grace, and for the hopes of glory. Fill our hearts with adoring gratitude;

and may we lie down this night at peace with thee and all mankind. May thy blessing be upon us evermore, through Jesus Christ, the Redeemer. Amen. Our Father, &c.

Monday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Isaiah xvii.

Heavenly Father, we come into thy presence on this day at the commencement of the labours, the toils, and the responsibilities of another week; and we bless and adore thee as the First and the Last, in whom we live, and move, and have our being. O Lord, we confess and acknowledge our unworthiness of the least of all thy mercies, and that even in our holy things we come short of the requirements of thy will, and offend against thy holy law. Nevertheless, we look up to thee our Father, and our eyes will have respect to thee, thou Holy One of Israel; and we beseech thee, who only art able, to remove our transgressions from us as far as the east is distant from the west, and to heal all our diseases, and to redeem our life from destruction. O Lord, may we not forget thee, the God of our salvation; may we not be unmindful of thee, the Rock of our strength. O Lord, do thou save us from all evil, and from sin the greatest evil. Guide us by thy counsel in every perplexity; hold us by thy right hand: strengthen us by perfecting thy strength in our weakness. Help us to sow to the Spirit, that we may reap life everlasting. May the word that we read sink deep into our hearts; may the gospel we hear sabbath after sabbath be to us the savour of life; and may we go forth from our sabbath-day service refreshed and strengthened, and more able to do the work of the week that is before us. O Lord, visit all that are in darkness and the shadow of death. Look upon them that live without thee, and are aliens and strangers to the commonwealth of Israel. Do thou turn their hearts, do thou convince and convert them, and

lift upon them the light of thy face, and give to thy word free course, and let it be glorified among those who know it not; and hasten that blessed day, the burden of many promises, when all shall know thee, from the least to the greatest, and incense and a pure offering shall be offered to thy name throughout all the earth. The Lord hear us and bless us. The Lord lift up his countenance upon us, and be gracious to us. The Lord lift up the light of his countenance upon us, and give us peace, through Jesus Christ. Amen.

Monday Evening.

Scripture Reading — 2 Corinthians vi.

O God, who hast revealed thyself to us as our Father, may that grace which has appeared unto all men teach us to deny ungodliness and worldly lusts, and to live soberly, righteously, and godly in this present world, looking for that blessed hope, the glorious appearing of Jesus Christ our God and Saviour, who loved us, and gave himself for us. O Lord, may we be a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a peculiar people, to show forth the praises of Him who hath called us from darkness into his marvellous light. Bless thy ministering servants throughout all the earth, and in every branch of the Christian church. May they approve themselves unto thee in patience, in affliction, in necessities, in distresses, in labours, in watchings, in fastings, by pureness, by knowledge, by long-suffering, kindness, by the Holy Ghost, by love unfeigned. O Lord, may there dwell in them the word of truth and the power of God. May they have on the armour of righteousness on the right hand and on the left. Blessed Lord, make us like Christ, and followers of them who through faith inherit the promises. O God, as sorrowful, may we yet rejoice; though poor, may we have the honour of making many rich; and as having nothing, may we yet by faith possess all things. Let all things be ours; Paul, or Apollos, or Cephas, or life, or death;

because we are Christ's, and Christ is thine. May the ministry of the gospel proclaimed on thy holy day, which has just passed away, be blessed to thousands throughout the world, in the conversion of sinners, in the comfort of thy people, in the edification of thy church, and the spread of thy gospel. O blessed Lord, forgive the sins of our holy things; renew and sanctify our hearts more and more by thy Holy Spirit. Whilst we are in the world, may we not be of it. God forbid that we should be unequally yoked together with unbelievers; may there be no fellowship on our part between righteousness and unrighteousness; may there be no communion between light and darkness; may we encourage no concord between God and Belial, or between the temple of the living God and the temple of idols. O Lord, make us living stones; build us upon Christ the Rock of ages; consecrate us to be a temple of the living God. Dwell in us, O Lord; walk in us. Be thou our God, and bless us, as we desire and hereby resolve to be thy people. May we be separate from all that is evil; may we be preserved pure and holy to the kingdom and coming of the Son of man. May we touch no unclean thing. Be thou to us a Father; make us sons and daughters. O Lord God Almighty, prosper us in all our labours, give us health, strength, and daily bread, and thy blessing upon all we are and all we do. Hear us, O Lord, and bless us, and do us and ours all the temporal, spiritual, and eternal good that we truly need, and that thou hast richly promised, for Jesus' name's sake. Amen.

Tuesday Morning.

Scripture Reading—Isaiah xix. 1–16.

Lord, whom have we in heaven but thee? and there is none upon earth we desire beside thee. Our heart and our flesh faint and fail, but thou art the strength of our hearts, and our portion for ever. We will arise, and go to our Father, and we will say unto him, Father, we have sinned against heaven,

and before thee; and we are not worthy to be called thy children. O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable sinners. Blot out all our sins, through the atoning sacrifice of Him who died for us. O thou who art the Lamb of God, and who takest away the sins of the world, take away our sins, we beseech thee. Holy and blessed Spirit, Great Teacher, and Sanctifier, and Comforter of all the people of God, bless us, and do us good. O thou who art the God of Abraham, of Isaac, and of Jacob, bless us. God before whom our fathers Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob walked, who hast fed us all our life long, who hast redeemed us from all evil, bless us, and keep us this day and always. May thy Holy Spirit, O Lord, sanctify us wholly. Create in us clean hearts, renew right spirits within us; hide thy face from our sins; take not thy Holy Spirit away from us. Bring down all that obstructs the spread of thy truth. Let the kingdoms of this world become the kingdoms of our God and of his Christ. Let great Babylon fall speedily. May the Mahometan delusion be dried up. May the idols of the earth be removed from their places, and may the knowledge of the Lord cover the earth as the waters cover the channels of the great deep. O Lord, hasten that day when the isles shall wait upon thee, when all shall bless thee, and the wide earth shall be thine inheritance, and all shall swear by thy name only, and thou alone shalt be exalted in that day. O Lord, we beseech thee to teach us thy will more fully; impress thy truths upon our hearts more deeply; give us grace and glory; be our shield and our sun: and all that we ask is in the name of Him who gave himself for us, our only Mediator and Advocate; to whom, with thee, and the ever-blessed Spirit, one God, be all honour and glory, world without end. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with us all now and evermore. Amen.

Tuesday Evening.

Scripture Reading — 2 Corinthians vii.

O Lord our heavenly Father, we thank thee for thy promises; we rejoice to know that, exceeding great and precious as they are, they are yea and amen in Christ Jesus. O Lord, grant, we beseech thee, that we, having so many and so precious promises, may by thy Holy Spirit cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and the spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God. O most merciful Father, reveal to us our sins, that we may be truly humble; disclose to us thy mercy in Christ, that we may have the brightest hopes; and help us to see and feel in our own happy experience that there is no condemnation to them that are in Christ Jesus. Give us, O Lord, boldness of speech; fill our hearts with all comfort; may we be joyful even in our greatest tribulation; and whilst there are within fears, and without fightings, nevertheless, do thou comfort us, and raise up them that are cast down, and cause us to rejoice yet more and more. Give us, O Lord, godly repentance. May we look upon Him whom we have pierced, and mourn. May he who is exalted a Prince and a Saviour give us true repentance. May it be repentance after a godly sort, even that repentance which is unto salvation, not to be repented of; and may a sense of our sins, and of thy great love in Christ Jesus, applied by thy Holy Spirit to our hearts, work in us all carefulness, and indignation, and fear, and vehement desire, and zeal. Comfort us, O Lord, in our troubles; give us patience under our afflictions, and in thy good time a happy issue out of them all. Blessed Lord, take care of us, we beseech thee, evermore. This night we would lie down under thy preserving and protecting presence; may thine angels encamp round about us, and be ministering servants to all the heirs of salvation. May grace, and mercy, and peace be upon us; may thy strength be made perfect in our weakness. Deliver us from evil; lead us into no temptation. Fill our hearts

with peace. And if spared to see the light of another day, may we rise refreshed and strengthened to undertake its duties, rejoicing in thy name, and glorying in thy righteousness all the day long. Hear our prayers, O Lord, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Saviour. And may grace, and mercy, and peace, from God the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, be with us all this night and evermore. Amen.

Wednesday Morning.

Scripture Readings — Isaiah xx; xxi. 1–10.

Lord, to whom can we come but unto thee? Thou hast the words of eternal life. Thou art the King of glory, O Christ. When thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death, thou didst open the kingdom of heaven to all believers. We believe that thou wilt come to be our Judge. We therefore pray thee, help thy servants, whom thou hast redeemed with thy precious blood. Make them to be numbered with thy saints in glory everlasting. O Lord, in thee do we trust: may we never be confounded. Heavenly Father, accept of our thanksgivings for thy mercies during the night that is now closed. We thank thee for thy protecting and preserving goodness, which never leaves nor forsakes us; and that we have again access to thy holy word, to the throne of grace, and to all the blessings of thy holy covenant. O Lord, take away the veil from every heart, and enable us to see thee as thou art, and to worship thee as we should. May the images of the gods of the earth soon be destroyed; may great Babylon soon fall; may the Lord of hosts reign and be exalted; may the night watches soon draw near to their close; may the Sun of righteousness arise to begin the everlasting day; and may the tents of Kedar and the tabernacles of Mesech be lightened by his beams. O Lord, look upon thine ancient people the Jews, and hasten their restoration. Have mercy upon all who have got a name

to live whilst they are dead. Turn the hearts of the children to the fathers. Spare thou the earth, and smite it not because of its transgressions. In the midst of judgment remember mercy; and for the sake of him who is the only Mediator and Redeemer, keep us from falling, and present us faultless before thy presence in glory with exceeding joy. Hear our petitions, O Lord, our Father who art in heaven. Let thy name be exalted above every name, and hallowed over all the earth. Let thy kingdom, which is righteousness, and peace, and joy, come in our hearts, and spread every where. Let thy holy will be done in us and by us. All we beg is for our Redeemer's sake. Amen.

Wednesday Evening.

SCRIPTURE READING — 2 Corinthians viii

O LORD, we praise thee as our God, our King, and our Father. We come to thee in all time of our wealth, in all time of our tribulation. We pray that we may find thee our dwelling-place, and our refuge in the hour of death and in the day of judgment. Blessed Lord, pardon all our sins, more than we can recollect, but all known and naked before thee, in the name of Him who ever liveth to make intercession for us, by whose stripes we are healed, and on whom were laid the iniquities of us all. We pray that the Eternal Spirit, promised by Jesus to abide with his people for ever, may take up his dwelling in our hearts, and sanctify us wholly, and create in us clean hearts, and purify all our affections, and bless us. O Lord, we thank and adore thee for the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ. We thank thee, that though he was rich, yet for our sake he became poor, that we through his poverty might be made rich. Make us rich, for his sake. O Lord, fill our hearts with all joy and grace in believing. Give us willing minds. Accept of us in the name and through the merits of Him who died for us. May the earnest and the foretaste of the joys that thou hast laid up for them that love thee, be

vouchsafed to us here below. O Lord, give us wisdom from on high to provide things honest, not only in the sight of thee the Lord, but also in the sight of all men. May we love thee with all our heart, and soul, and strength. Do thou keep them from sin and falling, whose praise is in the gospel throughout all the churches. Bless all thy ministering servants, bless all thy people. Increase the number of them that fear and love thee. Extend thy kingdom to the uttermost ends of the earth. May the Sun of righteousness arise with healing under his wings; and may the nations come to the brightness of his rising. O Lord, in our afflictions may we pray to thee; in our prosperity may we praise thee. May all that betides us in thy providence ever bring us to thy presence. All we ask for this night, is through the mediation of Him who ever liveth to make intercession for us; and unto Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, and our God, be equal and eternal praise and glory. Amen.

Thursday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Isaiah xxii. 1–21.

God be merciful to us and bless us, and cause his face to shine on us. Arise, O Lord, and visit the earth, and have mercy upon us. Send forth thy light and thy truth, we beseech thee, and let all the ends of the earth rejoice in thee. Lord God of hosts, thou who art the first and the last, be thou our dwelling-place in all generations. May we ever have recourse to thee as the Fountain of the purest joy, as the Author of our choicest mercies, as our Rock and our Refuge, and our salvation. Heavenly Father, do thou purge away our iniquities, for the sake of Jesus Christ the Saviour. Behold us in the face of thine Anointed; clothe us with his righteousness; accept of us in his name; justify us freely for his sake. O Lord, give us thy Holy Spirit. May he turn the heart of

stone into an heart of flesh; may he translate each of us from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan unto God, and give us now the earnest, the hope, and the assurance of the forgiveness of our sins. Clothe us, O Lord, with thy salvation. Make thy chosen people joyful in thee. Arise, O Lord, and bless us for thy name's sake. This day may we set thee before us; do thou direct us; keep us from falling; provide for us our daily bread; give us health to enjoy it; perfect thy strength in our weakness; command thy blessing upon our basket and upon our store; upon our souls and upon our bodies; on our going out and our coming in; on our lying down and our rising up. All that we ask is in the name and through the mediation of Him in whom all thy promises are yea and amen: and unto Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, be equal and eternal glory, throughout all ages. Amen.

Thursday Evening.

Scripture Reading — 2 Corinthians ix.

To the Lord our God belong mercies and forgivenesses, though we have rebelled against Him. We will arise and go to our Father, and will say, "Father, we have sinned against heaven and before thee; and we are no more worthy to be called thy children." Enter not into judgment with us, O Lord; for in thy sight no man living can be justified. If thou, O Lord, shouldest mark iniquity, O Lord, who could stand? But there is forgiveness with thee that thou mayest be feared. With our God there is plenteous redemption. Blessed Lord, we confess our sins before thee, and our iniquities we would not hide. Have mercy upon us, we beseech thee, O Lord. Pardon all our sins through the blood of sprinkling; justify us freely through the righteousness of thy dear Son; sanctify our hearts by thy Holy Spirit. Keep us from falling. Help us, O Lord, to sow not sparingly, that we may reap not sparingly. O Lord, may we give freely, as we

have freely received. Gracious God, make all grace abound toward us; may we always have sufficiency in all things, and abound in every good work. Minister seed to the sower, and bread to the eater; enrich us with everything in all bountifulness, and make us to abound in thankfulness to thee. Glorify thy name, O Lord, through us, and by us, and with us. Let the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts come up before thee as the evening incense, and be acceptable in the name of Him who is our great High Priest beside the throne. Pardon all our sins, purify our hearts, bless us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places. We humbly beseech thee to send forth thy light and thy truth over all the earth, and to hasten that day on which the Sun of righteousness shall rise with healing under his wings, and all nations shall come to the brightness of his rising. May Christ, thine unspeakable gift, be preached in every tongue, and accepted in every heart. May the Jew see in him his glory, and the Gentile hail in him his true light. Deepen in the hearts of thy people a missionary spirit. Spread abroad true sympathy with all that suffer. Relieve the prisoner. Hear the cry of them that are doomed to die. Strengthen them that stand. And all that we ask is in the name and through the merits of Jesus Christ our Redeemer. May grace, mercy, and peace, from God the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. Amen.

Friday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Isaiah xxiii. 1–14.

Blessed Lord, we draw near to thy footstool, not as criminals to deprecate thy wrath, but as children, erring and sinful children, to ask a Father's blessing. We know that thou hearest us always. For the sake of Him whom thou gavest to be a propitiation for our sins, we pray that this morning thou wouldest bow down, and hear us, and help us, and bless

us; and let our thanksgivings for all thy mercies and loving-kindnesses, which are fresh every morning, and renewed every evening, rise up before thee as the morning incense, and be acceptable in the golden censer of the Great High Priest, who ever liveth to present it. May those sins, O Lord, which thou knowest, be forgiven; may those sins, which we have committed, but which we have forgotten, be also forgiven. May our original and actual sin, our sins of thought, and word, and deed, all be blotted out in that precious blood, which this day cleanseth from all sin; and may thy Holy Spirit create joy and gladness in our hearts, and sanctify us to thy service. O Lord, stain thou the pride of all glory, and bring into contempt all the honourable of the earth that oppose thee. Stretch out thine hand, and shake the kingdoms, and destroy the strongholds of iniquity, and make way for the triumphs of thy blessed gospel. Visit, O Lord, we beseech thee, Tyre and Sidon, Egypt and Tarshish, and all the nations of the earth, with thy great salvation, and bring them under the influence of that Sun of righteousness who rises with healing under his wings. May we be first saints, and next servants. May we have the unction of the Holy One. Do thou keep us this day without sin; defend us from all evil; give us our daily bread; increase in us a sense of our responsibility to thee. May we enter upon every day, ever feeling that thou God seest us. May we walk before thee; may all our ways please thee, and thus let our enemies be at peace with us. Keep us, O Lord, to thy kingdom and glory; guide us by thy counsel; hold us by thy right hand; perfect thou that which concerneth us; and when heart and flesh shall faint and fail, and our bodies shall go the way of all the earth, and our souls the way of all spirits, may we be found acceptable in thy sight, not because of what we have done, but because of what Christ has done for us. And unto Him who is able to keep us from falling, and to present us faultless before thy presence in glory with exceeding joy, be all honour and glory, world without end. Amen.

Friday Evening.

Scripture Reading — 2 Corinthians x.

O Lord, hear our prayers, we beseech thee. It is thy greatness to hear prayer; it is our privilege to pray to thee. In the name of Jesus we approach thee, and for his sake we ask thee to give us every good thing. Blessed Lord, may thy Holy Spirit enable us not to walk after the flesh, nor to war after the flesh. May the weapons of our warfare on every occasion be not carnal, but mighty, through thee, to the pulling down of strongholds. O Lord, give us grace to cast down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of thee. O God, bring every thought into captivity to the law of Christ. O Lord, may thy Holy Spirit anoint us; may thy Holy Spirit sanctify us wholly; may he dwell in us the Spirit of wisdom, and of understanding, and of grace, and of the fear of the Lord. Gracious God, let not the wise man glory in his wisdom, nor the rich man in his riches, nor the strong man in his strength; but let him that glorieth, glory only in the Lord. O God, may we not compare ourselves with others, as if they were the standard of our attainments; but may we run the race set before us, looking unto Jesus, the author and the finisher of our faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down on thy right hand. May we be followers of him who humbled himself, and though in the likeness of God, took upon him the likeness of a servant, and bore our sins in his own body on the tree, and rose again for our justification. Keep us, O God, and all connected with us, this night; preserve us from all evil; let no danger come near our dwelling. O God, who keepest Israel, and who slumberest not nor sleepest, we beseech thee to extend to the utmost ends of the earth the privileges which we so abundantly enjoy. May the glad sound be heard in every tongue; may the ambassadors of the cross be found in every land; may the light of the

millennial morn rise speedily, and the New Jerusalem come down from heaven, and the whole earth be lightened with its glory. Make ready the bride for the coming of the Bridegroom; hasten the kingdom of the Son of God. And all we ask is in the name and through the merits of Jesus Christ. And unto Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, one God, and our God, the God of Abraham, and of Isaac, and of Jacob, be glory, and honour, and thanksgiving, and dominion, and praise, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Saturday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Isaiah xxiv. 1–16.

O Lord, may it please thee to have mercy upon all men. Have mercy upon people and priest, upon servant and master, upon maid and mistress, upon buyer and seller, upon lender and borrower. May it please thee, O Lord, to have mercy upon all ranks and degrees of men. We have sinned, O Lord, and therefore the earth mourneth, and the world languisheth and fadeth away. O Lord, we have transgressed thy laws, changed thine ordinances, and broken the everlasting covenant. Save us, O God, from the curse which we deserve: let it not make us desolate. Spare us, good Lord, spare thy people redeemed by a Saviour's sacrifice, and be not angry with us for ever. Darken not our joy, as we deserve; banish not all mirth from the land, as thou justly mightest; but turn us unto thee, turn our hearts, O Lord, we beseech thee. May we come to thee with lamentation and godly sorrow, and do thou hear us, and forgive us all our sins, and heal all our diseases, and redeem our lives from destruction, and satisfy our mouths with good things, and crown us with loving-kindnesses, and with tender mercies. O Lord, do thou visit the nations of the earth in thy mercy; may our land yield its increase; may justice and judgment run down our streets like a mighty river; may

we be a people exalted in thy righteousness, and glorying in thy name all the day long. O Lord, visit our distant territories, and spread among them the means of grace. May they who are emigrating to distant lands be under the influence of thy truth, and thus prove lights to the world, and blessings to the nations they visit. O hear the cry of thine ancient heritage, cast out because of its transgressions, that we might be gathered in. Restore them, O Lord. Arise and have mercy upon Zion; visit the outcast Jew; turn his heart; help him to see that the Messiah has come, and that Jesus of Nazareth is the glory of his people Israel. Let the Redeemer, O Lord, even the Lord of hosts, soon reign on Mount Zion and in Jerusalem, and before his ancients gloriously; and do thou pour into all hearts a missionary spirit. On this home let thy blessing rest this day. O God, guide us, and keep us; and let the peace that passeth understanding keep our hearts and minds continually, and may the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost be amongst us, and abide with us always, through Jesus Christ our Redeemer. Amen.

Saturday Evening.

Scripture Reading — 2 Corinthians xi. 1–28.

O Lord, at the close of another day and another week, we draw near to thy footstool, and we desire to bless and praise thee for all the goodness and the mercy thou hast caused to pass before us. Thou hast kept our eyes from tears, our feet from falling, and our souls from death. O gracious God, we praise and bless thee that thou hast not forsaken nor forgotten us, though we have often forsaken and oftener forgotten thee. May it please thee to forgive all the sins that thou hast seen in our thoughts, words, and walk, during the week that is past, in the name and through the mediation of thy dear Son. May it please thee to create within us clean hearts, and to renew within us right spirits, and to give us ever a deep and conscious

reliance upon thee, thou Holy One of Israel. Save us, O Lord, from sin. Deliver us from Satan when transformed into an angel of light. May we suffer as Christians; may we not glory after the flesh. O God, may we look to inner character, and not to outer privilege, as alone commendable and beautiful in thy sight. O God, be with us throughout the rest of our life hereafter. In our journeyings, in perils of waters, in perils of robbers, in perils by our own countrymen, in perils by the heathen, in perils in the city, in perils in the wilderness, in perils in the sea, in perils among false brethren, do thou stand by us, and help us, and deliver us, O Lord God of hosts, through thy dear Son. In weariness and painfulness, in watchings often, in hunger and thirst, in fastings often, in cold and nakedness, be thou our strength and our support, O God our Father. Let these our petitions come before thee as the evening incense. O God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who art blessed for evermore, keep us, save us, and deliver us. All we ask is for Jesus' sake. Now may the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost, be with us all this day and evermore. Amen.

THIRTY-SIXTH WEEK.

Sabbath Morning.

SCRIPTURE READING — Psalm lxxii.

O LORD, we draw near to thee with the voice of thanksgiving and of praise, and in humble supplication for ourselves and all mankind. Give unto the Messiah, O Lord, thy judgments, and hasten that day when he shall appear, and judge the people with righteousness, and the poor with judgment. O let the mountains bring forth peace to thy people, and the little hills by righteousness. Multiply the number of them that fear

thee, and let them live as long as the sun and moon endure, throughout all generations. Let the influence of thy gospel come down upon the hearts of men like rain upon the mown grass, and as showers that water the earth. Let the righteous flourish, and let there be abundance of peace so long as the moon endureth. May thy Son, in whom we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins, have dominion from sea to sea, and from the river unto the ends of the earth; and may they that dwell in the wilderness bow before him, and may his enemies lick the dust. Deliver, O Lord, the needy; and bestow upon us the forgiveness of all our sins, through thy Son's atoning sacrifice, and finished righteousness, and all-prevailing intercession. We pray that thy Holy Spirit may dispose our hearts to receive him as our righteousness, and our wisdom, and all our salvation. Redeem our souls, O Lord, from deceit and violence. Let all kings fall down before the Redeemer; let all nations serve him. May his name endure for ever; may the nations bless him, and be blessed in him, and call him blessed. Blessed be the Lord God, the God of Israel, who only doeth wondrous things. Blessed be thy name for ever: let the whole earth be filled with thy glory. Let these our prayers and praises come before thee as the morning incense. Go with us this day into thy courts with praise, and into thy gates with thanksgiving; and command thy blessing upon thy word faithfully and truly spoken. May many hearts be converted, and many minds enlightened. May thy word have free course and be glorified. May many say, "It is good for us to be here." Satisfy our souls with good things; fill our hearts with joy and gladness; and all we ask is for our Redeemer's sake. Amen.

Sabbath Evening.

Scripture Reading—Psalm lxxiii.

O Lord our God, thou art truly good to Israel, and to all them that are of a clean heart. Make clean our hearts within us, O Lord. Keep our steps from slipping, we earnestly beseech thee. Help us, gracious God, to cleave to thee, because it is good, and thou art God, and not to be depressed, or agitated, or envious, because of the prosperity of the wicked. May we feel, and truly believe, that blessed only is the people whose God is the Lord. Teach us from thy holy word, "Blessed is the man whom thou chastenest," and enable us to cleanse our hearts by the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, and to wash our hands in the innocency of a Saviour's sacrifice, that we may stand before thee without spot and blameless. O Lord, do thou keep us from falling; bring us not into desolation, we earnestly beseech thee. Cast us not down into destruction. O Lord, we very often misapprehend thy providential dealings, and mistake and misjudge thy holy character; may we ever feel that thou art our Father, and that all things work for good to them that love thee. May we have no hard thoughts or suspicions of thee, thou Holy One of Israel. Blessed Lord, we entreat thee to be ever with us; hold us by thy right hand; guide our minds, and the minds of thy ministering servants throughout the world, with thy counsel, and afterwards, when thou hast answered the wise purposes of thy providence here on earth, receive us to thy glory, where there is fulness of joy, and pleasures for ever. Blessed Lord, give us grace to say with no feigned lips, but from the depths of our hearts, "Whom have we in heaven but thee? and there is none upon earth we desire beside thee." Our heart and our flesh faint and fail; but, O God, thou art the strength of our hearts, and be thou our portion for ever. Whilst they that are far from thee perish, we rejoice to know it is good for us to draw near to thee, the Lord our God. We pray that we may

find our rest and our refreshment in him who is our only Saviour, our Sun and shield, who giveth grace and glory, and every good thing. Hear us, O Lord, for Jesus' name's sake. Amen.

Monday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Isaiah xxv.

O Lord, thou art our God: we will exalt thee, O King of kings, and we will praise thy name for ever and ever. Thou, O Lord, only doest wondrous things: thy counsels of old are faithfulness and truth. May we approach thy footstool, O Lord, with reverence, and yet come into thy presence as children to a father, seeking that blessing which thou waitest and rejoicest to bestow. We thank thee that thou hast provided a precious feast for all that will; and we thank thee that thou hast sent forth thy ministering servants to invite to this feast of fat things those who are truly needy, and are far from thee, and living without thee. O Lord, we thank thee for the gift of a Saviour; we thank thee that through death he overcame him who had the power of death, and has opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers. We thank thee that in his blood we have remission of sins. O may our sins be forgiven for his sake; and may we be accepted in his name, and justified by his righteousness, and presented spotless before thee. Hasten that day when he will come again, and swallow up death in victory, and the Lord God shall wipe away all tears from off all faces, and the rebuke of his people shall be taken away from off all the earth. O Lord, may we be among those who shall say in that day, "Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, and he will save us: this is the Lord; we have waited for him, we will be glad and rejoice in his salvation." Give us now, O Lord, humble, lowly, penitent, and obedient hearts; give us a deeper sense of thy mercy, and greater

gratitude to thee for thy rich goodness. Do thou strengthen us to discharge all the duties that devolve upon us in the ensuing week. Help us to set thee before us; in all our ways do thou direct us; keep our feet from falling, our eyes from tears, our souls from death. Make the outgoings of the morning and the evening to rejoice before us. Let thy mercy be upon us, even as we put our trust in thee. Hear us, O Lord, and help us; and bless all near and dear to us, whether here or elsewhere: for all we ask is for our Redeemer's sake. May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. Amen.

Monday Evening.

Scripture Reading—2 Corinthians xii. 1–18.

O Lord, open our eyes to see wonderful things out of thy law. May we have in our hearts an earnest of the happiness of the blessed. May thy Spirit sow within us all the seeds of paradise, and give us, even upon earth, something of the joy, the satisfaction, and the peace of them that thou choosest, and makest to approach unto thee. O Lord, we earnestly beseech thee either to give us strength to bear the trial that is before us, or to spare us that trial. May we never be exalted above measure about any privileges that we may possess, but may we walk lowly and humbly before thee. O Lord, we pray that whatever may be assigned us in thy providence by way of trial we may have strength to endure, and may it please thee to sanctify it to our good. O Lord, say to each of us, My grace is sufficient for thee. Perfect thy strength in our weakness. O Lord, blot out our sins, and let not iniquities prevail against us. Take away our transgressions, we earnestly beseech thee. Give us that confidence and joy in thee that will enable us to triumph in infirmities, in reproaches, in necessities, in persecutions, and distresses, for Christ's sake. O Lord, when we feel most weak, may we be most strong.

Heavenly Father, be thou with us this night, and enable us to lie down under the shadow of thy wings. Do thou deliver us from all that is evil, or depraved, before thee, and before thy church. May there be among us no debates, or envies, or wraths, or strifes, or whisperings, or tumults; may we ever do all things for edifying; may we walk in the Spirit of Christ; may we follow in his steps, who hath left us an example. Gracious God, look upon all thy church and people throughout the world; visit them with thy salvation; increase their joy. Let the righteousness of thy church go forth as brightness, and thy salvation like a lamp that burneth. Hasten that blessed day when all shall know thee, when there shall be no ignorance, nor suffering, nor death, nor tears, nor crying. Hear our prayers, we entreat thee; pardon all our sins, even the sins of our solemn things. And all we ask is for Jesus' sake. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with us all this night and evermore. Amen.

Tuesday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Isaiah xxvi. 1–19.

O Lord, our God, how excellent is thy name in all the earth! We thank thee that we have a strong city, and that salvation has been appointed for walls and bulwarks. O Lord, we trust in thee: may we trust in thee for ever; for in thee, the Lord Jehovah, there is everlasting strength. Do thou, therefore, O God, keep us in perfect peace, because our mind is stayed upon thee, and with all our hearts we trust in thee Lord, we believe: help our unbelief. Increase our confidence in thy love, and in Jesus Christ as the channel and the expression of that love. We wait for thee, O Lord, and the desire of our soul is to thy name, and to the remembrance of thee. O Lord, ordain peace for us; pardon our sins; give us that wisdom which is from above, which is first pure, and then peaceable. Let no other lords have dominion over us, but in

thee only may we rejoice, and of thy name may we make mention all the day long. Let the dead in trespasses and in sins be quickened. Visit and have mercy upon them who are living without thee. O Lord, hear these our petitions in heaven thy dwelling-place. In all time of our wealth, and in all time of our tribulation, be thou our strength, and our refuge, and our strong tower. Hide us, O Lord, in the moment when thine indignation is on the earth, and save us from the judgments which the sins of the world have most justly provoked. Spare us, O Lord, and be merciful to us, for the sake of Him who is our only Saviour; and to whom, with thee, and the Holy Spirit, be everlasting praises. Amen.

Our Father, which art in heaven, &c.

Tuesday Evening.

Scripture Reading — 2 Corinthians xiii.

Lord of all power and might, to whom can we come but unto thee? Thou hast the words of eternal life. Gracious God, hearer of prayer, give us the spirit of prayer; reveal to us our deep wants and necessities by thy Holy Spirit; and do thou help us to ask of thee, who givest liberally and upbraidest not. O Lord, when we are weak in ourselves, may we be strong in Christ. Send forth thy light and thy truth, we earnestly beseech thee, into all our souls, for Jesus' sake. May we examine ourselves whether we be in the faith; may we prove our own selves; and may we never forget that Jesus Christ is in us, and we in him, except we be reprobates. O Lord, we pray that we may do no evil; we pray that we may ever do and seek after that which is honest. May we never be left to do anything against the truth, but may all we do and undertake contribute to the spread and vindication of thy blessed gospel. We pray that those sins, which thou knowest, but which we may have forgotten, may all be blotted out through the peace-speaking sacrifice of Him who is our only

Prince, Redeemer, and Saviour. We pray that by thy Holy Spirit we may be strong. We pray that we may soon attain unto perfection; and, O God, when we shall bid farewell to this present world, and shall appear before thy judgment throne, may it be to hear the blessed invitation, "Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world." O Lord, may we be perfect; make us of good comfort; grant that we may be of one mind; give us grace to live in peace; and, O thou God of love and peace, be thou with us even to the end. We thank and praise thee, in whom we live, and move, and have our being, for the mercies and blessings of another day—for daily bread, for providential care, for Christian privileges, for light, and life, and peace. Bless the Lord, O our soul, and all that is within us be stirred up to bless thy holy name. Let these our prayers come before thee, and be presented in the golden censer of the great Intercessor who is before thy throne. And unto him who is able to keep us from falling, and to present us faultless before thy presence in glory with exceeding joy, to the only wise God, even our Saviour, be glory, and majesty, and blessing, and power, now and ever. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost, be with us all, this night and evermore. Amen.

Wednesday Morning.

Scripture Reading—Isaiah xxvii.

O Lord, we lift our hearts unto thee, who art the Lord of the vineyard, who knowest all things, and who sendest thy rains and thy sunshine upon the just and upon the unjust. We come to thee this day to thank thee for all the mercies of another night, and for the light of another day, O Lord, we desire to take hold of thy strength; may we be at peace with thee, through Jesus Christ; may our sins be forgiven in his

name, and our iniquity purged away through his mediation. Take away all our sins, O Lord, we humbly and heartily beseech thee. Save us from ourselves; beat down our enemies, O thou who only fightest for them who trust in thee, and deliver us by thy mighty power, and spare us, and prepare us for thy kingdom in glory. Look down upon thy vineyard, the universal church, and upon that corner of it with which we at this time in thy providence are associated. Water it at every moment; let not any one hurt it by night or by day; but do thou grant that every tree that is a cumberer of the ground may be spared yet another year, that it may bring forth fruit; and do thou purge every tree of thine own planting, that it may bring forth more fruit; and grant that every day increasing numbers may be added to thy church, till the whole earth is filled with thy praise, and the Redeemer shall come, and shine before his ancients gloriously. Keep us this day without sin; guide us in all its difficulties; deliver us in all its trials; make us steadfast, immovable, diligent in business, fervent in prayer, serving thee the Lord. May we set thee before us, and do thou direct us. May we be saved from all that would hurt the soul, or arrest our progress in the ways of righteousness, which are the ways of pleasantness and peace. Pour down thy Spirit, O Lord, upon all flesh, and hasten the glory of the latter day. Let thy kingdom come; give us daily bread; deliver us from all evil. And all we ask is for our Redeemer's sake. Amen.

Wednesday Evening.

Scripture Reading — Galatians i.

O Lord, may grace and peace from God the Father, and from our Lord Jesus Christ, be with us all, and upon us all, this night. O Lord, the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who broughtest again from the dead that great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, do thou pardon us, and heal us, and save us. O blessed

Redeemer, who gavest thyself for our sins, do thou deliver us from this present evil world according to the will of God, even our Father. Blessed Saviour, to whom can we come but unto thee? Thou hast the words of eternal life. Fulfil thy promise to give thy Comforter, that he may abide with us for ever. May he change our hearts, enlighten our minds, keep us from all error, and make us steadfast, and unmovable, and help us to rest in the truth as it is in thee. Heavenly Father, who didst separate thy servants of old to the gospel of thy Son, reveal Christ in us. May thy servants throughout the world preach him among the heathen; and may we so set forth his glory in our lives, that the world shall take notice of us that we have been with Jesus. O Lord, do thou deliver thy church from all error, from all misapprehension of the truth, from the usages and customs of this present evil world. Guide us and govern us, we beseech thee, by thy good Spirit. Keep us day by day from falling; hold us by thy right hand, prosper us with thy blessing, and bring us finally to thy kingdom and glory. May it please thee to send forth thy light and thy truth to the Jew first, and also to the Gentile, and to hasten that time when Jew and Gentile shall come to the brightness of the Redeemer's rising. O Lord, we thank thee for all the mercies of another day; we thank thee that thou hast given us daily bread; we bless and praise thee for all that we are, and have, and hope for. We desire to lie down this night under the shadow of thy wings; do thou protect, preserve, and keep us. Hear our prayers, we earnestly beseech thee; and let the grace that bringeth salvation, and which hath appeared unto all men, and the love of God, which gave Christ to die for us, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, our only Teacher, Comforter, and Sanctifier, rest upon us, and upon all near and dear to us, here or scattered throughout the world, till finally we meet in the presence of God and of the Lamb. Amen.

Thursday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Isaiah xxviii. 1–16.

Heavenly Father, we draw near to thee, who art able to kill and to make alive, and who livest and reignest for ever and ever. All flesh, we feel, is but as grass, and all its beauty is but as a fading flower; but thy righteousness endureth for ever, and thy mercy is upon children's children. O Lord, spare them that rise up against thee, and have mercy upon them, and change their hearts. O Lord, strengthen such as do stand, and increase the number of them that fear thee. Pour out upon thy whole church thy Holy Spirit. May the Lord of hosts be to us for a crown of glory, and for a diadem of beauty, and for a spirit of judgment to him that sitteth in judgment, and for strength to them that turn the battle to the gate. O Lord, deliver them who have erred through wine and through strong drink, and who are out of the way; and do thou enable us to live righteously, and soberly, and godly in this present world. O Lord, prepare us for that true rest that remaineth for the people of God. Give unto us, and make us sensible of having Christ our righteousness, the only title. Put into our hearts thy Holy Spirit, as alone able to prepare us for thy presence. Do thou teach us from thy holy word precept upon precept, line upon line, here a little, and there a little; and, O Lord, help us, and all who are near and dear to us, and increasing numbers every day, to be built upon the only foundation, upon a tried stone, a precious corner-stone, a sure foundation. May we be made spiritual stones growing up into an holy temple, meet for thy residence and service continually. Hear us, O Lord, in heaven. Help us, and deliver us, for thy name's sake. Put thy name upon us. May we be living epistles seen and read of all men; may the world take notice of us that we are thine. Make us like thee, and finally may we live with thee, for Jesus' name's sake. Amen.

Thursday Evening.

Scripture Reading — Galatians ii.

O Lord, we thank thee for the Holy Scriptures, which thou hast caused to be written and inspired for our learning. We thank thee for the faithfulness of the noble army of martyrs, the goodly fellowship of the prophets, and for all who have faithfully preached, and sealed with their blood, the testimony of the truth as it is in Christ Jesus. We pray that error may be repressed, and that the truth may be vindicated and established day by day more and more. O God, may we ever feel that if an apostle, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel to us than that which we have received, it is ours to separate from them, and to have no communion with them. May we not fear to withstand to the face them that introduce perilous and destructive errors. Do thou, gracious Father, enlighten our minds more and more; sanctify us through the truth, and enable us to hold it fast, because we feel it, and have experienced it to be precious to our own souls. Make us free with the freedom wherewith thou makest thy people free. Justify us freely, O Lord, not by the works of the law; for by deeds of law no flesh can be justified; but through the faith of Jesus Christ, in whom alone we believe as the only Saviour, by whom alone we look for access to thy presence, and for whose sake alone we beseech thee to have mercy upon us, and to blot out all our sins, and to receive us freely, and love us ever. O Lord, in the world may we not be of the world; may we be crucified with Christ, nevertheless may we live; yet not we, but may Christ live in us. May our words, acts, and thoughts be the inspiration of his love, so that the world may see Christ in us, and by us be made to accept and rejoice in him. May the life which we now live in the flesh be a life of faith of the Son of God, who loved us, and gave himself for us. O Lord, may we feel and know that we are justified by nothing done by us, but wholly and solely by what Christ has

done for us. May thy Holy Spirit impress this vital truth upon our hearts. Justified by faith, may we have peace with thee. And all that we ask is in the name of Jesus Christ our only Saviour. The Lord bless us, and keep us. The Lord lift up his countenance upon us, and be gracious unto us. The Lord lift up the light of his countenance upon us, and give us peace, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Friday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Isaiah xxix. 1–14.

Heavenly Father, we draw near to thy footstool with the voice of thanksgiving and of praise. Thine, O Lord, is the night, and thine the day, and thine all the mercies and privileges which we so richly and so undeservedly enjoy. O Lord, look down upon us, we beseech thee, and pardon all our sins and unworthiness, for the sake of him who is our only Saviour. May thy Holy Spirit sanctify us, and be to us the Spirit of wisdom, and of understanding, and of grace, and of the fear of the Lord. We thank thee that thou hast hid thy truths from the wise and prudent, and hast revealed them unto babes. We ask thy blessing upon the land in which we live, and upon its temporal and civil interests; and spiritually and temporally we pray that it may not be visited by thy sore judgments, but spared for good, and kept for thee, and made a blessing to the rest of the nations of the earth. O Lord, do thou number us with the meek who shall inherit the earth. Increase our joy, and help us more and more to rejoice in thee, the Holy One of Israel. O Lord, strengthen us this day for whatever may be before us; may we have grace to remain steadfast, watchful, prayerful, in the place in which thou appointest us to be in thy good providence. May we glorify thee where thou hast placed us; may we be examples to all that are around us; may we grow in likeness to thy character. Make us a holy people,

a royal priesthood, a chosen generation, to show forth the praises of Him who hath called us from darkness into his marvellous light. Hear our prayers, O Lord, and accept of our humble praises. Let the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts be acceptable in thy sight, O thou who didst redeem Abraham, and the house of Jacob, and who art the confidence of all thy people, and of all who are afar off upon the sea. Mercifully hear us, in the name of our only Mediator. Amen.

Friday Evening.

Scripture Reading — Galatians iii.

O Lord, may we have the Holy Spirit dwelling in our hearts; and having begun in the Spirit, may we be kept so. We thank thee that Jesus Christ has been set forth evidently crucified before us. Make us, and all connected with us, O God, the children of Abraham by believing in Jesus Christ, whose day Abraham saw, and rejoiced. In Jesus may all nations be blessed. In him may we be blessed with the forgiveness of sins, and the hopes of an inheritance among them who are sanctified. Number us with the just who live by faith. Gracious God, we bless thee that Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us. O let the blessing of Abraham come upon us through Christ. May we receive the promise of the Spirit for Christ's sake. Heavenly Father, make us heirs of thy kingdom. May we hold fast the blessed truth, that it is by grace, and not by merit, that we have the least blessing here, or a crown of glory hereafter. May the law be to us a school-master to bring us into Christ. May a deep sense of our own sinfulness and inability to keep the law lead us directly to trust in Him who kept the law for us, and in whom we are made heirs, according to the promise, of an inheritance incorruptible and undefiled. We thank thee that in Christ there is neither Jew nor Greek, neither bond nor free, neither male nor female, but that all

that believe in Him are one in Him. Lord, teach us, and write upon our hearts all these truths; and may we lie down in peace rejoicing in them, for Christ's sake. Amen. Our Father, which art in heaven, &c.

Saturday Morning.

SCRIPTURE READING — Isaiah xxx. 1–14.

LORD God of hosts, the Holy One of Israel, hear us, we beseech thee; cause thy face to shine upon us, and be merciful to us, and bless us. O Lord, may our sins be all forgiven, the sins of the past week and of the past day, through the precious blood of sprinkling which cleanseth from all sin. May our minds be more enlightened, and our hearts more subdued, and our strength increased, and a richer blessing descend upon our basket and upon our store in the days that are to come. O Lord, we humbly and heartily beseech thee to be our strength and our confidence in all time of trouble. May we never be ashamed of thee, and be not thou, O Lord, ashamed of us. Make us thy children, and forgive us our sins in that love which thou bearest unto thine own. Bless all thy ministering servants throughout the world; may they not prophesy unto the people smooth things, or prophesy deceits, or turn aside out of the path, or cause the Holy One of Israel to cease from before us; but may they speak faithfully in all lands, both as missionaries to the Jew and to the Gentile, and make known the whole counsel of God, that the people may have pardon, and quietness, and peace, and confidence, for ever. O Lord, raise up increasing numbers of those that love thee. Add a fresh impulse to thy holy cause throughout the world. Deliver every section of the church from deadly error. Let thy word have free course, and be glorified. Write thy laws upon our hearts; help us to walk before thee, and to be perfect. Fit us for all the duties that lie before us in the

world; make us thankful for our mercies, and diligent in the use of our privileges. May our loins be girt, and our lamps burning, and we ourselves ready for every good work. May we be prepared to walk as pilgrims and strangers in the way set before us. Hear us, we entreat thee: for we ask all in the name of Jesus Christ our Saviour, in whose name and words we further pray, Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, As it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, The power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

Saturday Evening.

Scripture Reading — Galatians iv. 1–26.

Heavenly Father, we adore and praise thee that when the fulness of the time was come, thou didst send forth thy Son, made of a woman, made under the law, to redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons. May our transgressions be all put away, for his sake. In him may we be justified. Through him, O God, forgive us. For his name's sake pronounce in each of our hearts the Divine absolution, "Thy sins be forgiven thee." Give us thy Holy Spirit, O God. Give us the Spirit of adoption, the Spirit of thy Son, enabling us to say to thee, Abba, Father. May we ever feel that thou art our Father; may we judge all things that befall us upon earth by a sense of this Divine and holy relationship. O Lord, may we walk as thy children; may the world see that we are thine; may we bring praise and glory to thy name by living as becometh the heirs of so great promises, the inheritors of so rich a reward. Deliver us from all false doctrine, and heresy, and error, and superstition. Stablish and strengthen us in the maintenance of the truth as it is in

Christ Jesus. May it please thee, O Lord, to keep us from falling. May it please thee to pardon all our sins, in the name, and through the precious sacrifice of Jesus Christ our only Saviour. This night, O Lord, let grace, and mercy, and peace be upon us and with us. And may the peace of God that passeth all understanding keep our hearts and minds through Jesus Christ. And may the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst us, and abide with us, this night and evermore. The Lord bless us and keep us. The Lord lift up his countenance upon us, and be gracious to us. The Lord lift up the light of his countenance upon us, and give us peace, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THIRTY-SEVENTH WEEK.

Sabbath Morning.

SCRIPTURE READING — Psalm lxxiv.

O LORD, cast us not off, we beseech thee, nor let thine anger smoke against us; for we are the sheep of thy pasture, and the congregation which thou hast purchased by the precious blood of a Lamb without spot and without blemish. In his name, and for his sake, make us the heirs of an inheritance incorruptible and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for those that love thee. Put thy Holy Spirit in each of our hearts, we beseech thee, O Lord; guide us by heavenly counsel, endue us with divine grace, and perfect thy strength in our weakness. We beseech thee to be with us this day, and to keep us, and feed us with the better bread that cometh down from heaven. May thy glory lie in each of us, we beseech thee, as in thy temple of old. Do thou open to each the fountain of living waters; and do thou regard the prayer of thy people, and hear the cry of the needy. Let thy blessing, which maketh rich, and addeth no sorrow, rest

with all who go forth this day to proclaim the unsearchable riches of the Lord Jesus Christ. Look upon those who are in bondage for the truth's sake, and upon all who suffer throughout the world. Have respect, we beseech thee, unto thy covenant, which is of old, and look in mercy on the dark places of the earth, which are full of the habitations of cruelty. Arise, O Lord, and plead thine own cause, and shine before thine ancients gloriously, and manifest thyself to all the earth as the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, having no pleasure in the death of the sinner, but delighting in mercy, abundant in goodness and truth, and ready to forgive iniquity, transgressions, and sin. Be with us this day, O Lord, and all the days of our pilgrimage upon earth. The day is thine, the night also is thine; thou hast prepared the light and the sun; thou hast set the borders of the earth; thou hast made summer and winter. Deliver not our souls, we beseech thee, into the hands of the wicked one; but keep us beneath the shadow of thy wings this day and evermore, for the Redeemer's sake. Amen.

Sabbath Evening.

Scripture Reading — Psalm lxxv.

Lord, thou art the hearer of prayer, unto thee shall all flesh come. All the ends of the earth shall put their confidence in thee, and those that are far off upon the sea shall trust in the name of our God. O give us the blessedness of that man whom thou choosest in thy sovereign love, and makest by thy Holy Spirit to approach unto thee. O God, may we dwell by faith in thy house continually. Let goodness and mercy follow us; may our cup run over. O God, we do give thanks for all thy mercies and loving-kindnesses unto us and unto all men. We bless thee for our creation, our preservation, and all the mercies of this life, but, above all, for thine inestimable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. We thank thee for thy holy word,

ever open and accessible to us; and we thank thee for peaceful sabbaths in our land, and for opportunities of worshipping thee, each under his own vine and under his own fig-tree. We thank thee for all the personal, social, national, and religious blessings which we so largely and undeservedly enjoy. We give thee glory, O Lord: for promotion cometh neither from the east, nor from the west, nor from the south. Thou only makest rich and poor, thou puttest down and settest up. O Lord, may we not deal foolishly, nor lift up the horn in pride. May we do justly, and love mercy, and walk humbly with thee our God. May thy grace teach us to deny ungodliness and worldly lusts, and to walk righteously, and soberly, and godly in this present world. Keep us, O Lord, this night, we beseech thee, without sin. Let the words which we have this day heard in thy house of prayer be as good seed cast into good soil, growing up, and bearing much fruit to thy honour and glory. May thy truth prevail over all the earth; and may the Sun of righteousness arise with healing under his wings, and thy people go forth, and grow up as calves of the stall. O Lord, hear our prayers, and accept of our thanksgivings. Make us truly thankful. Help us ever to feel deeply dependent; and in our rising up and lying down, our going out and coming in, may we set thee before us, and in all our ways acknowledge thee, and do thou graciously direct us. Hear these our humble petitions, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Saviour; in whose name and words we sum up all our petitions, saying, Our Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, As it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, The power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

Monday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Isaiah xxx. 18–29.

O Lord, do thou look down upon us from heaven thy dwelling-place, and be gracious to us, and have mercy upon us. O thou, who art a God of judgment, give unto us the blessedness of them that wait for thee, and fear thy name, and are exalted in thy righteousness, and rejoice in thee all the day long. O Lord, we humbly and heartily beseech thee to bow down and hear our confessions and supplications, and pardon all our sins, for the sake of Him whose death is the subject of ancient prophecy, and who came into the world to seek and to save them who are lost. We beseech thee, O Lord, to give us this week, on which we have now entered, thy Holy Spirit to guide us in every difficulty, to strengthen us in every trial, and so to prosper us in this present world, that we may have neither poverty nor riches, but food convenient for us. May we set our affections upon things that are above, and not upon things that are beneath. May we seek first thy kingdom and thy righteousness, that all other things may be added. Hasten the day, O Lord, when thy name shall be manifested over all the earth, and all shall bless thee, and be blessed in thee, and the whole earth shall be filled with thy glory. Save us, we beseech thee, from the power of sin, and from the curse of sin, and sanctify us to thy service, and strengthen us for all duty, and prepare us for all trial, and make the outgoings of the morning and the evening to rejoice before us. Have mercy upon all that are in darkness, and are living far from thee, aliens and strangers from the covenant of promise, and from the commonwealth of Israel. Arise, and have mercy upon Zion, and let the set time to visit thy people draw near. Lord, be with us this day, and let grace, mercy, and peace, from God the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, keep our hearts and minds con-

tinually, through Jesus Christ our Lord; to whom with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, we ascribe the kingdom, the power, and the glory, now and evermore. Amen.

Monday Evening.

Scripture Reading — Galatians v.

O Lord, grant that we may stand fast in the liberty with which Christ has made us free. We thank thee that to us there is no condemnation, because we are in Christ Jesus. We bless thee that we are emancipated alike from the curse and the consequence of a broken law, and are justified by Jesus Christ freely through his righteousness, and his righteousness alone. May we not be entangled again with the yoke of bondage. May we feel that neither circumcision availeth any thing, nor uncircumcision, but faith which worketh by love, and purifieth the heart, and overcometh the world. May we look to the Lamb of God alone for pardon, acceptance, and righteousness. May we imitate his example and imbibe his spirit, and so walk in the Spirit, and not fulfil the lusts of the flesh. May we all love our neighbours even as ourselves. God forbid that we should use our liberty for an occasion to the flesh. Give us grace to walk in the Spirit, and so not fulfil the lusts of the flesh. From all evil and mischief, from all idolatry and hatred, from all variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies, from all envyings, murders, drunkenness, and all other sins of the flesh and the spirit, good Lord, graciously deliver us. And enable us, blessed Lord, this day and in the world to bring forth all the fruits of thy Holy Spirit,—love, joy, peace, long-suffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance. May we have grace from thee, O Lord, to live in the Spirit, and to walk in the Spirit. May we be epistles written of the Holy Ghost, seen and legible of all men. Forgive our past sins, and our forgetfulness of pressing obligations, through the precious blood of Him who

died for us, and came into the world, not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many. Let the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts be accepted before thee this evening, in the name of our only Lord and Saviour, Christ Jesus. Amen.

Tuesday Morning.

Scripture Reading—Isaiah xxxi.

Blessed Lord, to whom can we go but unto thee? Thou hast the words of eternal life. Enter not into judgment with us, we beseech thee, O Lord; for in thy sight no man living can be justified. Spare thy people, O Lord, redeemed with most precious blood, and be not angry with us for ever. Deliver us, we beseech thee, from all that thou hatest, and strengthen us for every duty that lies before us. As our day is, let our strength be. God forbid that we should go down to Egypt for help, or stay on horses, or trust in chariots, because they are many; or in horsemen, because they are very strong. May we remember that the battle is not always to the strong, nor bread to men of understanding, nor the race to the swift. May we feel that our progress in this life, and our fitness for the life to come, is, not by might, nor by power, but by thy Holy Spirit. May we therefore look unto thee, and lean upon thee, and pray to thee, O thou Holy One of Israel, for in thee only is everlasting strength. O Lord, we humbly beseech thee to give us that confidence in thy love, that trust in thy promises, that we shall not be afraid of any thing that man can do unto us. Do thou fight for us, O Lord. Do thou uphold us by thy right hand. Deliver us in all time of our peril, and be thou for battlements around our Zion, and the glory in the midst of her. Keep us this day, O Lord, without sin; defend us from all that is evil; let thy blessing rest upon us in our going out and in our coming in; and when heart and flesh faint and

fail, be thou the strength of our heart. Guide us by thy counsel; hold us by thy right hand; prosper us with thy blessing. Keep our eyes from tears, our feet from falling, our souls from death. Supply all our wants; satisfy our souls with good things. Save us, O thou who art the confidence of all them that are afar off upon the sea. Forsake us not, nor leave us, O God of our salvation. To old age be thou our support. Let the voice of our supplications come before thee as the morning incense; give us this day food convenient for us; help us to hallow thy name, and humbly to do thy will, and to seek first thy kingdom and thy righteousness, that all other things may be added unto us. Forgive us all our sins, and teach us from the heart to forgive them that sin against us; deliver us from all evil, and lead us into no temptation: and all that we ask is in the name and for the sake of Jesus Christ our only Redeemer. Amen.

Tuesday Evening.

Scripture Reading — Galatians vi.

O Lord, give us the Spirit of Christ; help us to pray in the Spirit. Open our minds to see how many things we stand in need of; and give us by thy Holy Spirit earnestness and confidence to seek those things which are requisite and needful alike for our souls and our bodies. We ask of thee, blessed Father, to pardon all the sins of this day, through the atonement of Him in whom we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins. We ask of thee, blessed Lord, to give us what thou hast promised, grace to bear one another's burdens, and so fulfil the law of Christ. O Lord, may we sow to the Spirit, and of the Spirit reap life everlasting. Grant, O Lord, that we may never be weary of well-doing, but ever remember that in due season we shall reap, if we faint not. Give us grace, as opportunities present themselves, to do good unto all men, especially to them that are of the household of

faith. O God, grant, we earnestly beseech thee, that the great truths of thy holy gospel may appear to us more and more precious, and that on no account we may ever let them go. God forbid that we should glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom may the world be crucified unto us, and we unto the world. May we never forget that in Christ Jesus neither circumcision availeth any thing, nor uncircumcision; neither form, nor ceremony; but a new creature. May we count all but loss for the excellency of Jesus Christ. Forgetting all that is behind, and encompassed with so great a cloud of witnesses, give us grace to run the race set before us, looking to Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith. May we take up each his cross and follow him. May we follow the example and inherit the joy of Christ. May we walk evermore according to this rule; and may the peace that passeth understanding be on us; and may the mercy of the God of Israel be vouchsafed to us. O Lord, hear these our prayers, and accept of these our thanksgivings; and let the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with our spirits. Amen.

Wednesday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Isaiah xxxii.

Lord, let the time come speedily when Christ the King shall reign in righteousness and in judgment. O Lord, we approach unto thee as our refuge and our strength, and our present help in every time of trouble. Let the Lord Jesus Christ, our only Saviour, be our hiding-place from the winds, our covert from the tempest. May the Holy Spirit, vouchsafed to us according to the promise, be in us as a well of living water, even as a river of water in a dry place; and may his consolation be as the shadow of a great rock in a weary land. O Lord, help us, we beseech thee, to trust in him with our whole heart, whom thou hast set forth to be a propitiation through faith in

his blood for our sins. Pour down thy Holy Spirit upon all flesh, we beseech thee, and hasten that time when the heart of the rash shall understand knowledge, and the tongue of the stammerers shall be ready to speak plainly. Hasten that time in thine own way, when the vile person shall no longer be called liberal, nor the churl shall be said to be bountiful. Let the liberal devise liberal things, and stand by liberal things. O Lord, grant that thy kingdom, which is righteousness, peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost, may be erected in every heart throughout the whole earth. Gracious God, pour down thy Holy Spirit from on high, and let the wilderness become a fruitful field, and the fruitful field be counted for a forest. O Lord, in this land, and throughout all the world, may judgment soon dwell in the wilderness, and righteousness remain in the fruitful field. Heavenly Father, let the work of righteousness in each of our hearts, and throughout thy whole church, be peace; and let the effect of righteousness be experienced by us as quietness and assurance for ever. Lord, let thy people dwell in peaceable habitations, in sure dwellings, and in quiet resting-places. Give us the honour of helping on the triumphs of thy truth, and grant to our hearts the blessedness of them who sow beside all waters. Hear us, we beseech thee, in heaven thy dwelling-place, and help us; for all we ask is in the name and for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Prince and our Redeemer. Amen.

Wednesday Evening.

SCRIPTURE READING — Ephesians i.

MAY grace and peace from God our Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ, be upon us. Blessed be thou, O God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hast blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ Jesus. Multiply these blessings upon us. Withdraw them not because of our ingratitude, but continue thy loving-kindness according

to thy great mercies. O Lord, we thank thee that thou hast chosen thine own before the foundation of the world, not because they are holy, but that they may be holy and without blame before thee in love. May we be to the praise of the glory of thy grace; do thou make us accepted in the Beloved; give us redemption and the enjoyment of it, through the blood of Christ. Seal to us the forgiveness of sins according to the riches of thy grace; and, O God, grant that we may be to the praise and to the glory of thee, because we have trusted in Christ. Lord, may we be sealed with the Holy Spirit of promise, the earnest of our inheritance, until the redemption of the purchased possession. O Lord, do thou, the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, give unto us the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of him. Enlighten the eyes of our understanding; help us to know the hope of our calling, and to enjoy the riches of the glory of thine inheritance in the saints. May we be influenced by the exceeding greatness of thy power to live in thee and for thee; and may we rise and set our hearts where Christ is, at thy right hand in the heavenly places, above all principality, and power, and might, and dominion; and may we regard his name as above every name that is named, not only in this world, but also in that which is to come. May we be members of his body, making thereby the fulness of him that filleth all in all. O Lord, do thou hear our petitions. Forgive the sins of this day; perfect that which concerneth us. May we lie down under thine over-shadowing wings, and rise up strengthened for thy service, and for all the duties that in thy providence await us. And all we ask is for the Redeemer's sake. Amen.

Thursday Morning.

Scripture Reading—Isaiah xxxiii. 1–17.

Enter not into judgment with thy servants, O Lord, for in thy sight no man living can be justified. There is forgiveness with our God, that he may be feared. O Lord, be gracious to us, we beseech thee. This morning we wait upon thee; be thou our arm every morning, and our salvation in the time of trouble. O Lord, be thou exalted in every heart, and over all the earth, and fill thy church with judgment and with righteousness. Gracious God, we humbly beseech thee to grant by thy Holy Spirit that wisdom and knowledge may be the stability of our times, and strength of salvation, and the fear of the Lord, our treasure. Lord, look down upon the earth which is still in darkness, and in the shadow of death. Do thou visit those parts of the earth that mourn and languish. Look upon Lebanon that is ashamed, and Sharon that is a wilderness, and Bashan and Carmel that shake off their fruits. Arise, O God, and have mercy upon Zion; let the set time to favour thy people draw near. Do thou impress upon the hearts of sinners that they cannot dwell with the devouring fire. Do thou enable thy people, washed in a Saviour's blood, and sanctified by the Holy Spirit, to walk righteously, and speak uprightly, to despise the gain of oppression, and shake the hands from holding bribes. O God, may we, thus living, dwell on high; may our place of defence be the munitions of rocks. Give us, O God, our bread; may our waters be sure. Above all, may we, and all in this house, and all connected with us, see Christ, the King, in his beauty, and behold the land that is very far off; whom having not seen, may we love; and in whom, though now we see him not, yet believing, may we rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory. Look upon Zion the city of our solemnities. O God, may we yet see Jerusalem a quiet habitation, a tabernacle that shall not be taken down. O glorious Lord, be unto us a place of broad rivers; be thou

our Judge, our Lord, and Lawgiver. Be thou, O Lord, our King. Do thou save us, and hasten that time when the inhabitant shall not say, I am sick, and the people that dwell therein shall be forgiven all their iniquities. We ask all for Christ's sake. May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all, and with all ours, this day and evermore. Amen.

Thursday Evening.

Scripture Reading — Ephesians ii.

O Lord, quicken us, we beseech thee, and all connected with us who are dead in trespasses and in sins. Forbid, O Lord, that we should walk according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience. Lord, show thyself unto us rich in mercy. Love us still with a great love; save us by grace, for we have no merit of our own; and raise us up to sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus. Manifest toward us, O Lord, the exceeding riches of thy grace, through Christ Jesus. Save us, again we beseech thee, by grace through faith, which is the gift of God. We have no works of our own that entitle us to thy presence; but Christ is the end of the law, and was made sin for us, that we might be made thy righteousness in him. May this be our trust and confidence in the hour of death and in the day of judgment. Make us, O Lord, thine own workmanship; create us in Christ Jesus unto good works; help us to walk in them. May Christ Jesus be our peace. May all that are far off be brought nigh by his precious blood. May strangers to the covenant of promise, without God and without hope in the world, be brought to thee through Him. Through Him as our only Mediator may we ever rejoice to have access to thee, our Father, by the strength, inspiration, and leading of the one Holy Spirit. Lord, may we be no more strangers and

foreigners, but fellow-citizens of the saints and of the household of faith. O Lord, may we truly and indeed be built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, as living stones, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner-stone. Gracious God, write all the precious privileges that belong to thine own upon our hearts; help us earnestly to desire them, and thankfully to use them; and to dedicate ourselves, and all our influence and power, to the praise and glory of Him who loved us, and washed us in his blood, and hath made us kings and priests unto God and the Father. Let grace, mercy, and peace, from God the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, be with us this night and evermore. Amen.

Friday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Isaiah xxxiv. 1–13

O our Father, which art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. O Lord, we come to thee as children to a father, and we ask of thee this day to hear us, have mercy upon us, and bless us. Grant, we beseech thee, that we who have justly provoked thy righteous judgments, may, through the mediation and intercession of our only Saviour, be spared that suffering which we had deserved, and be entitled to that happiness, joy, and felicity which thou hast promised unto them that love thee. O Lord, we humbly beseech thee to give us thy Holy Spirit to dwell in our hearts, to deliver us from all that is evil, to strengthen us for all that is good, and to fit us finally for thy kingdom and glory. O Lord, may we love thy law, may it be precious to us as gold, and sweeter to our taste than honey and the honeycomb. May

we study thy word diligently, and do thou open our hearts to receive the truth in the love of it. May this word have free course and be glorified in our hearts, homes, and country, and all places of the earth. May the time speedily come when the host of heaven shall be dissolved, and the heavens shall be rolled together as a scroll, and all their host shall fall down as the leaf falleth off from the vine, and as a falling fig from the fig tree. O Lord, may we at that day be among the manifested sons of God, in whom thou takest pleasure, and who shall be presented to thyself a glorious church, without spot, or blemish, or any such thing. May the day of the Lord's vengeance be the day of our deliverance. May we hear our blessed Lord address to us that day, "Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world." Number us with thy saints, O Lord, in glory everlasting. In thee have we trusted; O Lord, may we never be confounded. Heavenly Father, look down, we beseech thee, in mercy upon all who are far from thee, and living without thee, and careless of the things that belong to their eternal peace. Visit them in sparing mercy; save them by thy right hand. Hear these our humble supplications, and forgive us, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Friday Evening.

Scripture Reading—Ephesians iii.

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us; but if we confess our sins, God is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Lord, to whom can we come but unto thee? Thou hast the words of eternal life. O thou who art the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we bow our hearts and our knees to thee this night, and in His name we pray that all here before thee may be numbered with that family, part of which is in heaven, and part of which is on the earth, and so

be made partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light. Grant, O Lord, we beseech thee, according to the riches of thy glory, that we, who are poor, and weak, and needy, may be strengthened with might by thy Holy Spirit in the inner man. May Christ dwell in our hearts by faith; may we be rooted and grounded in love; may we be justified freely in his righteousness; may we be sanctified daily by thy Holy Spirit, that we may be fellow-heirs, and of the same body, and partakers of thy promise in Christ by the gospel. O Lord, grant that we may grow in grace, and may be more and more able to comprehend with all saints what is the breadth, and length, and depth, and height of the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge. May we be filled with all the fulness of God; may our bodies be temples of the Holy Ghost; may all our faculties, affections, and powers, be consecrated as a holy ministry to him, whose we are, and whom we are bound to serve. Let our prayers and our praises come before thee as the evening incense. May our sins be forgiven, for Christ's sake. Look down, O most merciful Father, on all at home and abroad who are yet strangers to thine adopting love. Translate them into the kingdom of thy dear Son. Send out thy light and thy truth, and visit in thy mercy the dark places of the earth. May the Sun of righteousness shine on them. May thy word have free course and be glorified over all the earth. And now unto Him who is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us, unto him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus, throughout all ages, world without end. Amen.

Saturday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Isaiah xxxv.

Lord, inspire our hearts with that faith which is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen. May we look forward with unspeakable joy to that day, when

the wilderness and the solitary place shall be glad, and the desert shall rejoice, and blossom as the rose. O God, hasten, we beseech thee, the fulfilment of thy blessed promise, and let the earth blossom abundantly, and rejoice with joy and singing. Let the glory of Lebanon be given to it, the excellency of Carmel and Sharon. O may we and all flesh see in all its greatness the glory of the Lord, and in our hearts, and the hearts of all mankind, may there be planted a growing sense of the excellency of our God. O Lord, strengthen our weak hands, and confirm our feeble knees, we humbly beseech thee. Gracious God, say to them that are of a fearful heart, Be strong; fear not. Come, O Lord, and save us from the curse of sin by a Saviour's sacrifice, and from the power and presence of sin by thy Holy Spirit. Open the eyes of the blind, unstop the ears of the deaf, let the lame run and not be weary, and walk and not faint. Let the dumb sing. In the wilderness let waters break out, and streams in the desert. O may the parched ground of every desert become a pool, and the thirsty land springs of waters, and let the way of holiness be manifested to all flesh, and be crowded by increasing thousands. Let the wayfaring men, though fools, not err therein. Soon may the ransomed of the Lord return, and come to Zion with songs and everlasting joy upon their heads. May we, too, who are here before thee, and who are by nature poor, needy, miserable, and blind, and who cannot be holy or happy out of thee, or far from thee, obtain joy and gladness, and may sorrow and sighing flee away from our hearts for ever. May the new Jerusalem soon come down from heaven as a bride adorned for the bridegroom. Let thy glory so fill the earth, that there shall be no need of the sun, nor of the moon, nor of the stars. Hasten the time when there shall be no crying, nor sorrow, nor death, but all former things shall have passed away. Let these our prayers and praises come before thee at the close of this week, and let thy blessing rest upon us, through Jesus Christ. And may grace, and mercy, and peace, from God the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, be amongst us, and abide with us all, this day and evermore. Amen.

Saturday Evening.

SCRIPTURE READING—Ephesians iv. 1–16.

O LORD, we come before thee at the close of another day, to end it in praise as we commenced it in prayer. We thank thee that thou hast kept our eyes from tears, and our feet from falling; that not only have we reached the close of another day, but also of another week, and found thee in both a faithful and a promise-keeping God. Whatever thou hast seen in our past walk inconsistent with our Christian character, and our obligations to thee, do thou graciously forgive for Christ's sake; and do thou grant us a double portion of thy Holy Spirit henceforth, that we may walk worthily of the vocation wherewith we are called. May we walk with all lowliness and meekness, with long-suffering, forbearing one another in love. May we keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. O Lord, grant, we beseech thee, that we may more and more see and feel that the true unity of thy church is one body, and one Spirit, and one hope of our calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, and one God and Father of all. May we hold this fast in thought, in heart, in life; and be sure that in thus holding it, we belong to the true church of the Lord Jesus Christ. We thank thee that when Christ ascended up on high, he led captivity captive, and gave gifts unto men. O may he enrich us with every needed gift, and may those whom he has sent forth in his church as evangelists, and pastors, and teachers, have much of thy Holy Spirit to do thy work, and to win souls unto thee. Grant, O Lord, we beseech thee, that thy saints may be perfected more and more, and attain nearer every day to the fulness of Christ. Forbid, O Lord, that thy people should be tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men. May we have grace from on high to speak the truth in love, and to grow up into him in all things, who is the head, even Christ. May we be members of his body, and heirs of his kingdom, and day

by day may we receive more and more of his sanctifying power, presence, and blessing. Lord, we thank thee for all the blessings of our past lives; we pray that we may feel deeply thankful to thee. Give us grace, we beseech thee, to show that having received much, we are superior to others who have received none. And all that we ask is in the name and through the merits of Jesus Christ, our only Saviour. Our Father, who art in heaven, and reignest over all, may thy name be hallowed and exalted above every name. May thy kingdom, which is righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost, come speedily. May thy will be done in us, and by us, and through us, as it is done in heaven. Give us day by day food convenient for us. Pardon all our sins, through the only sacrifice. Give us grace to forgive the injuries done to us by others. Lead us into no temptation in which we shall fail; and deliver us from evil. And unto Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, one God, and our God, we ascribe the kingdom, the power, and the glory, now and evermore. Amen.

THIRTY-EIGHTH WEEK.

Sabbath Morning.

SCRIPTURE READING — Psalm lxxvi.

O THOU who art the God of Israel, and whose name is known over all the earth, whose glory has been revealed in Judah, and whose name is great in Israel, we adore thee as the First and the Last, and praise thee as the great "I am," the living and the true God. Thy tabernacle, O Lord, is in Salem; thy dwelling-place is in Zion; thou art fearful in praises, glorious, doing wonders. Thou speakest, O Lord, and at thy rebuke the chariot and horse are cast into a dead sleep. The wrath of man, O Lord, shall praise thee, and the remainder of his wrath wilt thou restrain. We bless and adore thee on this the morning of the first day of another week, as the God and

Father of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. We bless thee that on this day he overcame the sharpness of death, and opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers. We thank thee that thou didst so love the world, that thou gavest thine only-begotten Son, that whosoever believeth on him may not perish, but have everlasting life. We desire this day to go into thy courts with praise, and unto thy gates with thanksgiving, and in the midst of the great congregation to praise thee, and vow, and pay unto the Lord our God. We would bring ourselves, soul and body, living and spiritual sacrifices, which is our reasonable service, and present them unto thee, O Lord; for we are redeemed, not with gold, nor silver, nor any such corruptible thing, but with the precious blood of a Lamb without spot and without blemish. Give us, we beseech thee, hearts to love and praise thee, and help us diligently to live after thy commandments. Perfect thy strength in our weakness. O Lord, make thy grace sufficient for us. Pour down thy Holy Spirit upon all thy people who may this day meet together to praise and celebrate thy name, to set forth thy most worthy praise, to read thy most holy word, and to ask those things which are requisite and necessary alike for their souls and their bodies. Be with all the ministers of the everlasting gospel, who shall this day preach thy word unto all the nations of the earth, and give them richly that wisdom that is from above, which is pure and peaceable, gentle, and easy to be entreated, full of good fruits, without partiality, and without hypocrisy. Give to all the people who shall this day meet together, the hearing ear and the understanding heart. May thy truth get a new impulse; may thy word have freer course; may thy kingdom come, even that kingdom which is not meat nor drink, but righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost. Let thy church universal be Salem, the city of peace; and over all the earth let righteousness and peace meet together, and mercy and truth kiss and embrace each other. Hear our prayers, and accept of our praises, and help us, in the name of the great High Priest, who ever liveth to make intercession for us; and let grace, and

mercy, and peace, from God the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, be upon us, and abide with us this day and evermore. Amen.

Sabbath Evening.

Scripture Reading — Psalm lxxvii.

O Lord, we cry unto thee with our voice, even unto thee; do thou give ear unto us, and hear us. On this thy day, and at the close of its services, we would lift up our hearts to thee; for thou holdest our eyes waking, and preservest us continually. Forget not, O Lord, to be gracious; call to remembrance thy promises which have been of old for ever. We thank and praise thee, O God, for all the goodness thou hast this day made to pass before us. Thy way, O God, is in the sanctuary. Thou art a great God, and our God. Thou only doest wonders. Thou hast this day declared thy strength among the people, thou hast with thine arm redeemed thy people, the sons of Jacob and Joseph. O Lord, may the word this day spoken have free course, and be glorified. May the truths this day uttered be deposited as living seeds in innumerable hearts, and grow up under the dew of thy blessing, and bring forth fruit, in some thirty, in some sixty, and in some an hundred-fold. Remove all error from thy church; break up and destroy the great apostasy. May the crescent wane in the East, and may the Sun of righteousness arise and shine over all the lands of the world with healing under his wings. Multiply the number of them that know, and are ready to make known, the unsearchable riches of Christ. Thy way is in the sea, and thy path is in the great waters, and thy footsteps are not known. Lead thy people, we beseech thee, like a flock; raise up for it true and faithful shepherds. Extend thy kingdom. Make known thy way upon the earth. Let the Redeemer's name be exalted above every name; let all the people praise him; may the whole earth be filled with his glory. May all kings fall down before him, and all nations serve him. Let the righteous

flourish, and have abundance of peace. Let Jesus have dominion from sea to sea, and from the river to the ends of the earth. Let them that dwell in the wilderness bow before him, and let his enemies lick the very dust. May all the blessings which thou hast given us be sanctified to us; may all our trials never be without thy strength in the midst of them. When thou hast answered all the wise purposes of thy providence with us here on earth, receive us to thy kingdom, that we may spend an everlasting sabbath in the presence of thee and of the Lamb. And may grace, and mercy, and peace, from Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, be with us all this night and evermore. Amen.

Monday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Isaiah xxxvi. 1–21.

O Lord, in thee do we trust, may we never be confounded. Some trust in chariots, and some in horses, but we will trust in the name of the Lord our God. Thou reignest and rulest over all, and unto thee we give praise and thanksgiving, and honour and majesty, and glory. Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive thanksgiving, and honour, and praise. Unto Him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood, and hath made us kings and priests unto our God, be glory and honour for ever. O Lord, take away our sins, we beseech thee, through Him who died for us, and rose again. Justify us by his righteousness, and present us faultless before thy presence in glory with exceeding joy. O gracious Lord, give us, we beseech thee, thy Holy Spirit. May he deliver us from the power and influence of all evil, and make us a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a peculiar people, to show forth the praises of Him who hath called us from darkness into his marvellous light. Heavenly Father, hasten that day when thy whole church shall be emancipated from the

bondage of this present evil world, and thy people shall eat, every one of his vine, and every one of his fig-tree, and drink every one the waters of his own cistern, and the whole earth shall yield its increase, and be a land of corn and wine, a land of bread and of vineyards. May the gods of Hamath and Arphad be laid prostrate, and utterly swept from the face of the earth, and may the name of Christ alone be great among the Gentiles, and may incense and a pure offering be presented unto him from the rising of the sun to the going down of the same. Keep us this day without sin; help us to trust only in thee, and not upon any broken reed. Deliver us from all evil; strengthen us in any temptation that may await us; satisfy and supply our daily wants; guide us by thy counsel; hold us by thy right hand; pour down thy blessing upon our basket and upon our store, upon all the work of our hands, and upon all our ways. Bless all who are near to us. Go with us into all the turnings, and difficulties, and trials of the week on which we have now entered, and bless us, and prosper us with the favour that thou showest to thine own, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our only Redeemer. Amen

Monday Evening.

Scripture Reading—Ephesians iv. 17–32.

We will arise and go to our Father, and we will say, Father, we have sinned against heaven, and in thy sight; and we are no more worthy to be called thy children. We confess, O Lord, that we have walked, as the Gentiles walked, in the vanity of our minds. We grieve to feel that our understandings have been darkened, that we have too long been alienated from the life of God through the ignorance that is in us, because of the blindness of our hearts. We confess that we have left undone those things that we ought to have done, and that we have done those things that we ought not to have done, and that there is no health in us. We confess before thee that we

have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep, and have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. But unto thee we look for pardon and forgiveness, free and full, through the death and sacrifice of Jesus Christ; and from thee we would humbly ask thy Holy Spirit, that we may put off the former conversation, even the old man, which is corrupt, and be renewed in the spirit of our mind. May we by thy Holy Spirit put on the new man, which after thee is created in righteousness and true holiness. When angry, may we not sin. May the sun never go down upon our wrath. May we never give place to the devil. May he that stole, steal no more; but rather labour, working with his hands the thing which is good, that he may have to give to him that needeth. May no corrupt communication proceed out of our mouths, but that which is good to the use of edifying. May every word that we speak minister grace to the hearers. Forbid, O Lord, that we should grieve thy Holy Spirit. By that same Spirit may we be sealed unto the day of redemption. Give us grace from on high to put away all bitterness, and wrath, and anger, and clamour, and evil speaking, and to be kind one to another, tender-hearted, forgiving one another, even as thou, for Christ's sake, hast graciously forgiven us. Write all thy truths upon our hearts, we beseech thee. May thy word be a lamp to our feet, and a light to our path; and by it may we be guided and governed continually. Keep us this night beneath the shadow of thy wings; preserve us from all its perils and dangers. Strengthen us for every duty that lies before us in thy providence; and fortify and support us in every trial; and bless us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places, for Jesus' name's sake. May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost, be with us all, this night and evermore. Amen.

Tuesday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Isaiah xxxvii. 1–20

O Lord of hosts, the God of Israel, God of Abraham, of Isaac, and of Jacob, — God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, hear us, we beseech thee. Thou, O Lord, art the God, even thou alone, of all the kingdoms of the earth. Thou art King of kings, and Lord of lords. Thou hast made the heaven and the earth and all deep places. We praise thee above all, that thou hast given Christ to die for us, and hast promised thy Holy Spirit to them that ask thee, to renew their hearts in the likeness and the image of Him. Incline thine ear, O Lord, and hear; open thine eyes, and see; and let the voice of our supplications come up before thee, and do thou answer us, and bless us, for Christ's name's sake. We pray that thou wouldest be with us this day in all our ways, and guide us by thy heavenly counsel, and make us the lights of the world, or the salt of the earth, blessings to all that are about us, and messengers of mercy, truth, and love to all mankind. May thy grace, which hath appeared unto all men, teach us to deny ungodliness and worldly lusts, and to live soberly, righteously, and godly in this present world, looking for that blessed hope, the glorious appearing of Jesus Christ, our God and Saviour, who loved us, and gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works. Be merciful to us, and bless us, O Lord, and cause thy face to shine upon us, that thy way may be known upon earth, and thy saving health among all nations. Save us, O God, from sin, Satan, and the world, and from the hands of all that hate us; and let all the kingdoms of the earth soon know that thou art the Lord, even thou only. Give us this day daily bread. Forgive us all our debts, as we forgive our debtors. Deliver us from all evil, and lead us into no temptation. Bless us with spiritual and eternal mercies in Christ Jesus. Guide us through this barren land; hold us

with thy powerful hand. Let the pillar of cloud by day, and the pillar of fire by night, lead us through the desert, and bring us finally to the rest that remaineth for the people of God. We ask all for Jesus' sake. Amen.

Tuesday Evening.

Scripture Reading — Ephesians v.

O Lord, give us grace to be followers of thee as dear children. And may thy Holy Spirit help us to walk in love, as Christ hath loved us. May our sins and iniquities, original and actual, be forgiven, and blotted out, and no more remembered against us, for the sake of that blessed Lord, who gave himself an offering and a sacrifice to God on our behalf, and in our stead. May thy Holy Spirit help us to put away from our hearts and lives all things which are not convenient; may we not be deceived by the crafts of the wicked one, or by vain words. May we be light in the Lord; give us grace to walk as the children of light. Grant, O Lord, that we may have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather reprove them. Give us grace to walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise. May we redeem the time, because the days are evil. May thy grace teach us to live soberly; may we be filled with the Holy Spirit. May our hearts be filled with gratitude, giving thanks always for all things unto thee, O God our Father, in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ. May that blessed Saviour sanctify and cleanse the church with the washing of water by the word, and soon present her to himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing, but holy, and without blemish. Bless every attempt to circulate thy holy word, to make known thy blessed gospel, and to win souls to Christ. Arise, and have mercy on all thy people every where. May all who are in this house

dwell together in love; and may the peace that passeth understanding keep our hearts and minds continually, for Christ's sake. Amen.

Wednesday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Isaiah xxxvii. 21–35.

Lord, to whom can we come but unto thee? Thou hast the words of eternal life. Enter not into judgment with thy servants, O Lord; for in thy sight shall no man living be justified. We confess our sins unto thee, O Lord, and our iniquities we would not hide. Have mercy upon us according to thy loving-kindness, and in thy great compassion blot out all our iniquities. In the name of the only Saviour, forgive us. Through his righteousness justify and accept of us; and let his name be named upon us; and increase our confidence in him as the only refuge and sanctuary of his people. O Lord, do thou sanctify us through thy truth: thy word is truth. Spare us, O Lord, from the judgments which our sins have justly provoked; pour upon us those mercies which thou givest in thy grace unto them that call upon thy name. Let the angel of the Lord encamp round about us. May angels be ministering servants to us. Help us to run the race set before us, looking unto Jesus, the author and the finisher of our faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at thy right hand. This day supply all our wants; guide us in all our difficulties; sweeten to us our mercies; sanctify to us our trials. Perfect Divine strength in human weakness; let a blessing be upon us. Leave us not nor forsake us, O God of our salvation. Let thy truth take root downward, and bear fruit upward, in every heart. Hear these our humble petitions; accept of our sincere praises; and let the peace of God that passeth all understanding keep our hearts continually, through Jesus Christ our Lord and our Redeemer. Amen.

Wednesday Evening.

Scripture Reading — Ephesians vi.

Heavenly Father, be thou faithful and just to forgive us all the sins of this day, through the precious blood of thy dear Son. Give us a double portion of thy Holy Spirit, that we may walk before thee circumspectly, honouring thee, and benefiting all that are about us. May all the relationships of life sustained by us be sanctified by thee. May children honour their parents. May servants be obedient to their masters, not with eye-service, as men-pleasers, but as the servants of Christ, with good will doing service, as to the Lord, and not to men. May masters remember that they have a Master in heaven, and that with thee there is no respect of persons. O God, our heavenly Father, make us strong in thee, and in the power of thy might. May we put on the whole armour of God, and in that armour may we be able to stand successfully against the wiles of the devil. May our loins be girt about with truth; may we have on the breastplate of righteousness. Let our feet be shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace. Give us, O Lord, the shield of faith, that we may be able to quench the fiery darts of the wicked one. May we have the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. Above all, at morn and at night, in our going out and coming in, may we pray always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watch thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints, and do thou hear and answer us. Bless to us all that has betided us this day. Forgive all that thou hast seen in us to be wrong in thought, word, or deed. This night may peace be unto us, and love with faith, from God the Father, and the Lord Jesus Christ. And let grace, and mercy, and peace, be with all under this roof, now and evermore. Amen.

Thursday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Isaiah xxxviii. 1–20.

O Lord, to whom belong the issues of life, thou art the living and the true God. Do thou keep us, we beseech thee, and help us to set our house in order, not knowing when we shall die, and appear before thee. O Lord, remember not our righteousness, for we are guilty, but the only righteousness of thine Anointed, in whom thou art well pleased. Enable us to walk before thee in truth, and with perfect hearts. Give us grace to do that which is good always in thy sight. Hear, O Lord, our prayers, and behold our tears, we beseech thee, and spare us in the land of the living, and continue to us our mercies, our privileges, and our blessings; and as our age departs, and is removed as a shepherd's tent, may the inner man be strengthened and renewed every day. O Lord, in thee we live, and move, and have our being; graciously recover and restore us to thy favour, and make us to live before thee, and to serve thee all the days of our pilgrimage upon earth. O God, in thy great love deliver our souls from the pit of corruption, and through the atoning death and all-availing intercession of Jesus Christ, cast all our sins behind thy back. May we who are this day numbered with the living praise thee, O Lord, who art ready to save. Give us grace to sing to thee songs of deliverance all the days of our life in the house of thee, the Lord our God. Make us this day not slothful in business, fervent in spirit, serving thee the Lord. Deliver us from every evil, and strengthen us for the discharge of every duty, and prosper us with that blessing which maketh truly rich, and addeth no sorrow. May we be strong this day in the Lord, and in the power of his might. May we put on the whole armour of God. May our feet be shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace; may ours be the shield of faith, the breastplate of righteousness, and the sword of

the Spirit, which is the word of God. And let grace be with us, and with all who love our Lord Jesus Christ in sincerity and in truth, for his name's sake. Amen.

Thursday Evening.

Scripture Reading — Philippians i.

Lord of all power and might, author of all good things, do thou place us in the Rock, and proclaim thyself to us as the Lord, the Lord God, merciful and gracious, long-suffering, abundant in goodness and truth, keeping mercy for thousands, forgiving iniquity, transgression, and sin. May grace be to us, and peace from God our Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ. O thou, who hast begun in our hearts the good work, perform it until the day of Jesus Christ. May our love abound more and more in knowledge and in all judgment. May we be filled with all the fruits of righteousness, which are by Jesus Christ unto the glory and praise of thee our God. May Christ be preached every where, and be proved, wherever he is preached, the wisdom of God and the power of God unto salvation. May we be able each of us this night to say, To me to live is Christ, and to die is gain. May we have our conversation as it becometh the gospel of Christ. May our rejoicing be more abundant in Christ. May we never be ashamed of the gospel; may we glory in the cross; may the world take notice of us that we are Christ's, and may Christ be made unto us wisdom, righteousness, sanctification, and redemption. Heavenly Father, keep us this night by thine Almighty power; enrich us with heavenly grace; prosper us with thy blessing, and fetch us at length to thy presence in glory, through Jesus Christ our Saviour. May grace, mercy, and peace, from God the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, one God, be with us, and with all near and dear to us, this night and evermore. Amen.

Friday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Isaiah xxxix.

Heavenly Father, thou who art in heaven and art exalted above all, may thy name be hallowed from the rising of the sun to the going down of the same; may incense and a pure offering be presented unto thee over all the earth. May thy kingdom, which is righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost, come into every heart, and spread over all the earth. May thy will, which is our sanctification, be done by us, and in us, and with us, and through us, even as it is now done in heaven. Give us this day, we beseech thee, neither poverty nor riches, but feed us with food convenient for us. Forgive us all our debts and trespasses, and help us from the heart to forgive them that trespass against us. Deliver us from all evil, and lead us into no temptation. O Lord, good is thy word which thou hast spoken; may we believe it with our whole heart, and feel it sweeter to our taste than honey from the honeycomb, and more precious than much fine gold. May we be guided by it evermore. Keep us from all presumptuous sins; let them not have dominion over us. Preserve us innocent from the great transgression. This day, O Lord, may the grace of God enable us to show to the world that they who are thine differ from them who are aliens and strangers. May our love be without dissimulation; may we abhor that which is evil, and cleave to that which is good. May we rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, continue instant in prayer. May we distribute to the necessity of saints, and be given to hospitality. Give us grace to bless them who persecute us, to bless and curse not. May we rejoice with them that do rejoice, and weep with them that weep. May we not mind high things, but condescend to men of low estate. May we be able to provide things honest in the sight of all men, and if it be possible, as much as lieth in us, to live peaceably with all men.

Guide us by thine unerring counsel; enrich us with thine all-sufficient grace; perfect that which concerneth us; let the light of thy countenance be upon us, and then we shall have more joy than the world, when its corn, and its wine, and its oil do most abound. Hear our prayers, we beseech thee, for all who are connected with us, for all who are in peril, in suffering, or in distress, for Christ's sake, and for righteousness' sake, in any part of the world. Let the sigh of the captive and the prisoner, and all who are appointed to die, come up before thee. Bless our country and our President; guide our counsellors, and direct our representatives, and increase our national greatness by increasing our national piety. And do thou hear us, and help us, and bless us, for Jesus' name's sake. May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all, this day and evermore. Amen.

Friday Evening.

Scripture Reading — Philippians ii.

O Lord, may we come to thee as children to a father, to ask thy blessing, and to express our confidence in thee. May the sins of this day be forgiven us, in the name and through the merits of Christ Jesus. May our hearts be more and more filled with thy Holy Spirit; and, gracious God, grant, we beseech thee, that we may have that mind in us, which was also in Christ Jesus, who, being in the form of God, and thinking it no robbery to be equal with God, made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant. At the name of Jesus may every knee bow, of things in heaven, and things on earth, and things under the earth. May every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of thee the Father. O God, may thy Holy Spirit help us to walk in lowliness of mind, esteeming each better than himself. May we look not on our own things only, but also on the things of

others. May we work out our salvation with fear and trembling: and may the Holy Spirit work in us to will and to do of thy good pleasure. Help us to hold forth the word of life, and to seek, not our own things, but the things which are of Christ Jesus. May we be blameless and harmless, the sons of God, without rebuke, in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation. May we shine as lights, O thou Fountain of light, in the midst of the world; may others, seeing our good works, glorify thee our Father in heaven. Let these our prayers and praises come before thee as the evening incense. Hear us, O God, and help us, and give us the grace that we most need for each day's duties; for all we ask is in the name and through the merits of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Saviour. Amen.

Saturday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Isaiah xl. 1–17.

O Lord, speak comfortably to thy church, and hasten that day when her warfare shall be accomplished, and all her iniquity pardoned, and she shall receive of the Lord's hand double for all her sins. May the Spirit of truth, who is the Comforter, dwell in every heart; and may that day come speedily, when every valley shall be exalted, and every mountain and hill shall be made low, and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough places plain. Let the glory of the Lord be speedily revealed, and let all flesh see it together. O Lord, give us a sense of our frailty, and how short-lived we are. May we feel that all flesh is grass, and all the goodliness thereof as the flower of the field; but may we rejoice to know that while the grass withereth and the flower fadeth, thy word of faithfulness, and love, and truth, endureth for ever. Lord, let the good tidings of a Saviour found be felt in every land, and let the cities of Judah soon see their Saviour and their God. O Lord, may the Redeemer feed us like a flock; may

he still gather the lambs with his arm, and carry them in his bosom, and gently lead those that are with young. O thou who hast measured the waters in the hollow of thy hand, and meted out heaven with the span, and comprehended the dust of the earth in a measure, and weighed the mountains in scales and the hills in a balance, be thou our God, and the God of all who are connected with us; and when heart and flesh shall faint and fail, be thou the strength of our hearts, and our portion for ever. O may the nations fear thee; for they are all as a drop of a bucket, and are counted as the small dust of the balance, in thy sight. Let Christ's name be exalted over all the earth. Let the nations rejoice in the great salvation. May the kingdoms of this world soon be the kingdoms of our God and of his Christ. Pardon our sins, for the Saviour's sake. Regenerate every heart that beats in thy hearing by the Saviour's Spirit. Preserve us faultless for thy presence, and guide us to thy kingdom and glory, through Christ the Saviour. Amen.

Saturday Evening.

SCRIPTURE READING — Philippians iii.

BLESSED Lord, thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. May we have grace to fear, and love, and serve thee. May all our thoughts, words, and works, which thy holy law condemns, and by which we cannot be justified, be forgiven us, in the name and through the mediation of the only Sacrifice and Mediator, Christ Jesus. O Lord, grant, we earnestly beseech thee, that we may have the same mind that was in thine ancient servant, when he counted loss for Christ the things that once were gain to him. May we count all things but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus our Lord. May we be ready and willing to suffer the loss of all things, in order that we may win Christ. May we be found in him, as the branch in the vine, as the member in the body, not having our own righteousness, which

is of the law, but that righteousness which is through the faith of Christ, even the righteousness of God which is by faith. May we know Christ in all his fulness and his excellence; may we feel the power of his resurrection from the dead; may we share in the fellowship of his sufferings, taking up his cross, and following him. May we die unto sin, being made conformable unto his death; and may we be numbered with thy saints in glory everlasting, and enjoy the blessing of him who hath part in the first resurrection. O Lord, may we count not ourselves to have apprehended: but this one thing may we do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, may we press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus. May we not walk as those of whom thy servants have told us weeping. May our conversation be in heaven; may our hearts and our treasure be there; may our hopes linger and be strengthened there. May we be looking constantly for the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ, to come the second time without sin unto salvation. May he at that day change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto his glorious body, according to the working whereby he is able to subdue all things even unto himself. Grant us these mercies, and forgive us all our sins, and hear our prayers, in the name of Jesus Christ, the Saviour. And now may the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be with us all, and abide with us now and evermore. Amen.

THIRTY-NINTH WEEK.

Sabbath Morning.

Scripture Reading — Psalm lxxviii. 1–22.

O Lord, who didst establish a testimony in Jacob, and didst appoint a law in Israel, which thou didst command to our fathers, and that they should make it known to their children,

grant, we beseech thee, that we, the generation on whom the ends of the earth have come, may know thee the only living and the true God, and may set our hope upon thee, and never forget thy works, or fail to keep thy commandments. We confess that we are unworthy of all the great and good things which thou hast done for us; for we have not kept thy covenant, we have refused to walk in thy law, we have forgotten thy works and thy wonders which thou hast showed us. But be thou merciful unto us, O Lord, and forgive us our sins against thee, through the atonement of Him who was set forth in ancient types, and was promised to the fathers, and became man, and died for us and for our salvation. We pray that on the Rock of ages we may rest, and that from him we may derive streams of refreshment and of everlasting peace. Furnish for us, O Lord, a table in the wilderness; make our cup to run over; give us the living bread that cometh down from heaven. This day bless every one appointed in thy providence, and enabled by thy grace, to distribute it. Feed thy people, we beseech thee, and fit them day by day for the inheritance of the saints in light. May thy wondrous works be proclaimed in all lands, and thy loving-kindness and thy mercies be made known in every tongue. We pray that thy great salvation may be soon rejoiced in by all flesh, and that the whole earth may soon be covered with the praise and the knowledge of thee the only true and living God. Keep us this day, we beseech thee. Let our prayers and our praises come up before thee as the incense of old. May the great High Priest intercede and plead for us. Take away from each of us the evil heart of unbelief. Lead us not into temptation, deliver us from evil. Pour down thy Holy Spirit upon us, and upon all connected with us. Sanctify us through thy truth; thy word is truth. For all we ask is in the name and through the mediation of Him who died for us; to whom, with thee, and the ever blessed Spirit, be all honour and glory, world without end. Amen.

Sabbath Evening.

Scripture Reading — Psalm lxxix.

O Lord, make us thy children, consecrate us as thine inheritance, receive us into fellowship with thyself. Look not on us, O Lord, in judgment and in wrath, because of our transgressions. Remember not against us former iniquities; let thy tender mercies prevent us. Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of thy name; and through the blood of the everlasting covenant deliver us, and purge away our sins. For thy name's sake, we beseech thee, may thy Holy Spirit be poured out upon all thy ministering servants, and upon all thy people throughout thy whole church. May thy people be refreshed as with the dew of thy presence, and may the sheep of thy pasture give thanks unto thee for ever, and may thy praise be shown forth from generation to generation world without end. Visit all who are in affliction, sickness, sorrow, bereavement, or trial of any kind. Give them patience and hope in their afflictions, and grant them a happy issue out of them all. Let the sighs of the prisoner for Christ's sake in any part of the world come before thee. According to the greatness of thy power, preserve them in thy mercy, and fit them for thy presence, that are appointed to die. O let thy tender mercies prevent us and all who are near and dear to us. Graciously keep us, O God, we beseech thee, from all the evils of the world. May the nations that have not called upon thy name begin to fear thee, lest thy wrath be poured out upon them; and may the time come soon when Jesus shall appear, and shine before his ancients gloriously, and all shall know him from the least to the greatest. Keep us during the silent watches of the night, deliver us from all peril. Preserve all who are connected with us. May we be under the shelter and shadow of thy wings; may we lie down and rise up in peace, thou the Lord sustaining us. Graciously hear us, O God, and help us, and let thy mercy be upon us. And may grace, and

mercy, and peace, from God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Ghost, one God, be with us and all thy people throughout the whole world, during this night, and all the days and nights of this dispensation, for Jesus Christ's sake. Amen.

Monday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Isaiah xl. 18–31.

O THOU who art not to be likened to any thing, or to be represented by graven image of any sort, who fillest heaven and earth with thy presence, and before whom angels and archangels bow themselves, and cry continually, Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts; we, the children of thine adoption, the creatures of thy hand, approach thee who sittest upon the circle of the earth, and before whom we and all the inhabitants of the world are but as grasshoppers. Thou stretchest out the heavens as a curtain, and spreadest them out as a tent to dwell in. Thou, O Lord, art the everlasting God; thou art the Creator of the ends of the earth. Thou faintest not, neither art thou weary; there is no searching of thine understanding. O Lord, give power to the faint; increase strength to them that have no might. Renew our strength, we beseech thee. Help us, O Lord, to wait upon thee in the reading of thy word, in prayer, in listening to the preaching of thy glorious gospel; and grant that in so doing we may mount up with wings as eagles, and may run patiently the race set before us, looking unto Jesus the author and the finisher of our faith, and never be weary. May we walk before thee, and walk with thee, and never faint. May we be pardoned all our sins and trespasses against thee, thou Holy One of Israel, through the meritorious death and passion of Him, who is God manifest in the flesh, and our only sacrifice and atonement. May the Holy Spirit, proceeding from the Father and the Son, descend into

our hearts and dwell therein, and cleanse our thoughts, and purify our affections, and enable us in all our ways to acknowledge thee, and at all times evermore to feel, "Thou God seest us;" and to prove ourselves living epistles, written, not with pen and ink, but by the Holy Spirit, and seen and read of all men. Keep us this day without sin; deliver us from all the evils and the perils of this present world that may betide us during the day and the week that now follow. Whom, O Lord, have we in heaven but thee? and there is none upon earth we desire beside thee. Our heart and our flesh faint and fail, but thou art the strength of our heart, and our portion for ever. Let these the words of our mouths, and the meditations of our hearts, and our earnest petitions, come before thee through Him, who is the way, the truth, and the life. Amen.

Monday Evening.

Scripture Reading — Philippians iv.

O Lord, grant, we beseech thee, that thy kingdom, which is righteousness, peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost, may by thy Holy Spirit be set up in our hearts. O Lord, may the sins which thou hast seen this day, or which we may have forgotten, be all blotted out and forgiven, through the precious sacrifice of Him, who ever liveth to make intercession for us. Heavenly Father, may we rejoice in thee the Lord always. May our moderation in mind, in feeling, in words, and in conduct, be known and seen of all men. May we ever feel that the Lord is at hand; and knowing that all things must be dissolved, may we be careful, or anxious, for nothing, but in everything make our requests known unto thee, O God, by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving. O Lord, let thy peace which passeth all understanding keep our hearts and minds, through Jesus Christ. Give us grace from on high, and the strength of thy Holy Spirit, to enable us to follow after and to pursue whatsoever things are true, and honest, and just, and pure,

and lovely, and of good report. O God, may we find our strength only in thee. Help us to be ready to do all things through Christ who strengtheneth us. In whatever state we are, may we be therewith content. Give us daily bread, and help us constantly to acquiesce in thy holy and perfect will. O gracious God, supply all our need, according to thy riches in glory by Christ Jesus. May the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ keep us, and bless us; and unto him be glory for ever and ever. Be with us this night, guide us by thy heavenly counsel, endue us richly with thy Holy Spirit. And all we beg is in the name and through the mediation of our only Saviour and Redeemer. Amen.

Tuesday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Isaiah xli. 1–15.

Lord, to whom can we come but unto thee? Thou hast the words of eternal life. Blessed Lord, may we feel that thou ever livest, our rock, our refuge, and our strength. Be thou with us, we earnestly beseech thee. May we not fear any evil; may we never be dismayed. Be thou our God. Graciously strengthen us, O Lord. Help us, we beseech thee. Uphold us with the right hand of thy righteousness; for there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O Lord. Heavenly Father, hold us, we beseech thee, by our right hand. Say unto each of us, "Fear not; I will help thee," O thou who art the Lord, and our Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel. Poor and needy, O Lord, we seek water. Do thou hear us, O God of Israel, and forsake us not. Open to us rivers in high places, and fountains in the midst of the valleys; make the wilderness for us a pool of water. May we see, and know, and consider, and understand together that the hand of thee the Lord hath done this; and to thee may we give the glory of all we possess in providence, and of all we hope for in thy

grace; for thou only art worthy. O thou righteous One, besides whom there is none in heaven whom we can trust, and none upon earth we desire, may it please thee to come near to us this day. Keep us from falling, deliver us from all evil, satisfy our souls with bread, sanctify us through thy truth, make us thy willing servants, thy affectionate and believing sons. Bless all connected with us. Pour out thy Spirit upon all flesh. Give us what thou seest best for us in this world; fit us, above all, by thy grace for the better world that is to come. Never leave us, never forsake us; but bless us, and make us blessings to all the ends of the earth; and from the rising of the sun to the going down of the same, may thy name be called upon. May Jerusalem hear good tidings of great joy, and Jew and Gentile unite together in worshipping and praising thee, the God of Abraham, the God and Father of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ; to whom with thee, and the eternal Spirit, be all honour and glory. Amen.

Tuesday Evening.

Scripture Reading — Colossians i. 1-27.

Lord, we come to thee as children to a father, and we beseech thee graciously to hear us, and to bless us. At the close of this day fill our hearts with all the knowledge of thy will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding. Strengthen us with all might, according to thy glorious power. Help us, O Lord, to walk worthy of thee, fruitful in every good work. O God, graciously deliver us, we beseech thee, from the power of darkness, and translate us into the kingdom of thy dear Son. By thy Holy Spirit dwelling in us as the sanctifier and comforter of thy people, make us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light. O heavenly Father, who didst so love us, that thou gavest Him by whom all things were created that are in heaven and in earth to die for us, and to be the Head of his body the church, and to have the pre-

eminence in all things, may we have peace with ourselves, and with all our brethren of mankind, through the blood of his cross. May all that are now enemies and aliens be reconciled unto thee in him. Heavenly Father, may we continue in the faith by thy grace, grounded and settled, and never be moved away from the hope of the gospel. Make known to us the riches of the glory of thy love, and mercy, and truth. May Christ be within us, and dwell in us the hope of glory. May we be presented perfect in Christ Jesus, and found without spot, or blemish, or any such thing. Hear these our earnest petitions; write all thy precious words upon our hearts, we beseech thee. Keep us this night, deliver us from all evil, let every blessing be with us and upon us. All we beg is in the name and through the merits of Jesus Christ. May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. Amen.

Wednesday Morning.

SCRIPTURE READING — Isaiah xlii.

O THOU who gavest thy Son to be thy servant and thine elect, in whom thou delightest, hear our prayers, we beseech thee, for his sake, and in his name pronounce in each of our hearts thine own Divine absolution, "Thy sins be forgiven thee." We pray, blessed Lord, that thou wouldest be pleased to lift upon us the light of thy countenance, and to open the eyes of all that are blind. Bring the prisoners from the prison, and them that sit in darkness out of the prison-house. O thou who art the Lord, and who wilt not give thy glory to another, may all the ends of the earth sing a new song to thee, and thy praise from the end of the earth. May the villages that Kedar doth inhabit lift up their voice; let the inhabitants of the rock sing to thee. Let not the wise man glory in his wisdom, nor the rich man in his riches, but let all glory in thee

the Lord. Bring the blind, O Lord, by a way that they knew not; lead them in paths that they have not known. Make darkness light before us, and crooked things straight, and forsake us not. Let the deaf hear, and the blind see, and let the glory of the Lord be revealed to all flesh. O Lord, we humbly beseech thee to keep us this day. Guide us, thou who art the guide of all thy people. Be pleased to accept of us, for the righteousness' sake of thy dear Son, who magnified the law, and made it honourable. For his sake break not the bruised reed, quench not the smoking flax. Bring forth judgment unto truth. May the isles wait for Jesus; may all flesh see his great salvation. May we be found in him; and may all who are near and dear to us this day be acceptable in his name, and made meet by his Holy Spirit for the inheritance of the saints in light. Let these our prayers come before thee as the morning incense, and accept of us, and bless us, for Christ's name's sake. Amen.

Wednesday Evening.

Scripture Reading — Colossians ii.

O Lord, we thank and praise thee for the gift of a Saviour, in whom are hid all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge. We praise thee that when there was no hand to help us, thy right hand did bring us salvation. We bless thee that we have thy holy word, in which we can read the glad tidings of good things, and through the knowledge of which we may be sanctified, and rooted, and built up in Christ, and stablished in the faith, unmovable for ever, O heavenly Father, as we have received Christ Jesus as our Atonement, Sacrifice, and High Priest, in whom alone we trust for acceptance, through whom alone we ask for mercy of thee, may we so walk in him. Grant that we may feel that we are complete in him, as redeemed creatures, in whom dwelleth all the fulness of the Godhead bodily. May our hearts be baptized; may we have

that baptism which is remission of sins, regeneration of the heart, of which the Holy Spirit alone is the author. Blot out the handwriting of ordinances that is against us, and contrary to us, and help us to see it nailed to the cross. May we, O Lord, be defended from all error, and delivered from attaching saving importance to meat, or to drink, or to new moons, or to festivals. O Lord, may no man beguile us of our reward. May we have no sympathy with voluntary humility, or worshipping of angels. God forbid that we should be vainly puffed up, but may we be knit together as living members to Christ Jesus, and serve him in purity, in spirit and in truth, all the days of our pilgrimage upon earth Hear our prayers, we earnestly beseech thee, for every section of thy church, and for every portion of the globe; and hasten that day when the whole earth shall be filled with thy praise, and when the mountain of the Lord's house shall be exalted on the mountain tops, and all nations shall flow unto it. Let these, the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts, come up before thee, acceptable through Jesus Christ our only Mediator. Amen.

Thursday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Isaiah xliii. 1–18.

O Lord, may we not fear, because thou hast redeemed us. Call us by thy name, consecrate us to thy service, say to each of us, "Thou art mine. I am the Lord thy God, the Holy One of Israel, thy Saviour." May we be precious in thy sight, for the sake of Him in whom thou hast chosen us, and blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places. We thank and adore thee that thou didst so love us, that thou gavest thy dear Son a sacrifice for our salvation. O Lord, bring day by day increasing numbers to the knowledge of thy truth, and hasten that blessed hour, when thou wilt say to the north, "Give up," and to the south, "Keep not back." Bring

thy sons, O God, in thy grace and by thy Holy Spirit, from far, and thy daughters from the ends of the earth. Make us, O God, witnesses for thee upon earth, who art the Lord our God, and beside whom there is no Saviour. Remember not against us, O Lord, our former sins, neither take thou vengeance upon our iniquities. Spare us, good Lord, spare thy people, whom thou hast redeemed with thy precious blood, and be not angry with us for ever. Behold our Shield, see our Sun, and for his sake bestow upon us grace and glory. May we find a way in the wilderness, and rivers in the desert. In all our goings may we acknowledge thee. Graciously direct us; lead us, and guide us, and perfect that which concerneth us, and give us bread on earth, and everlasting joy in heaven, for thy dear Son, our only Saviour's sake. Amen.

Thursday Evening.

Scripture Reading — Colossians iii.

Lord, we trust and believe that we are risen with Christ from the dead. We believe on him as the resurrection and the life, and by him alone we look to thee for pardon and absolution, for grace and glory. Give us grace, O Lord, to set our hearts upon things that are above, and not upon things that are on the earth. O grant, we beseech thee, that when Christ, who is our life, shall appear, we may appear with him in glory. Give us thy Holy Spirit, that by his power we may mortify every evil appetite, passion, and desire. May we put off all anger, and wrath, and malice, and blasphemy. May we put on the new man, which is renewed in knowledge after the image of him that created him. O Lord, grant that as the elect of God, having received much, holy and beloved, we may put on bowels of mercy, kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, long-suffering. Give us grace to forbear one another, and to forgive one another; even as Christ forgave us, grant, O Lord, that we may do so also. May the charity which hopeth all things, believeth all things,

beareth all things, and is the bond of perfectness, dwell richly in our hearts. May the peace of God rule in our hearts. Make us, O Lord, truly and heartily thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in us richly in all wisdom. May wives submit themselves to their own husbands as is fit in the Lord; may husbands love their wives, and be not bitter against them; may children obey their parents in all things; may fathers not provoke their children. Let servants obey their masters, not with eye-service as men-pleasers, but in singleness of heart, fearing God. Whatever we do in our several places and vocations, may we do it heartily as unto the Lord; and whatsoever we do in word or in deed, may we do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father by him. These our prayers we present in his name, entreating thee to hear us, and grant these our requests. And unto Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, be equal and eternal glory. Amen.

Friday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Isaiah xliv. 1–15.

Lord, speak unto us, who are before thee, and say, "Fear not." O thou Fountain of living waters, pour water upon him that is thirsty, and floods upon the dry ground. Pour down thy Holy Spirit upon our seed, and thy blessing upon our offspring. May our children spring up as among the grass, and as willows by the water-courses. May one say, I am the Lord's, and may another call himself by the name of the God of Jacob, and may another subscribe with his hand unto the Lord, and surname himself by the name of Israel. O thou, who art the Lord, the King of Israel, the Lord of hosts, the First and the Last, beside whom there is no God, hear our prayers, supply all our wants, satisfy our souls with bread, withhold no good thing from us, blot out all our sins as a thick cloud, redeem us from all our transgressions, O thou high and

Holy One of Israel, and remember not against us our sins any more. Send forth thy light and thy truth; let them lead us and guide us into thy presence, and into thy holy place. This day bless us in our basket and in our store, in our going out and in our coming in. Bless all the work of our hands; give us, if it please thee, health and strength, and daily food. May others share in the mercies we enjoy; may the ends of the earth become acquainted with thy saving health. O have pity upon them that feed on ashes, whom a deceived heart hath turned aside. Graciously deliver their souls. Make known the truth to them who have only a lie in their right hand. Pardon all our sins through Christ our sacrifice. Hear our petitions, O gracious God. Hasten that blessed day when the heavens shall sing because the Lord hath done it, and when the mountains shall break forth into singing, for the Lord hath redeemed his ancient people, and glorified himself by the fulness of the Gentiles. We beg these, and all the blessings that we need, for Jesus' sake. Amen.

Friday Evening.

Scripture Reading — Colossians iv.

Enter not into judgment with thy servants, O Lord; for in thy sight no man living can be justified. If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But we rejoice to know that if we confess our sins, our God is faithful and just in Christ Jesus to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. We have all left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done, O Lord, those things which we ought not to have done. We have erred and strayed from thee like lost sheep: we have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have been unmindful of the God who made us, we have lightly esteemed the Rock of our salvation. There is no health in us. But thou, O God, have mercy upon us through Jesus

Christ; and through the efficacy of his most precious blood, that cleanseth us from all sin, pardon all our trespasses, receive us graciously, and love us ever. Give us grace, O thou who art the hearer of prayer, to continue in prayer, and watch in the same with thanksgiving. O God, give unto thy ministering servants throughout all the world many a door of utterance to speak the mystery of Christ, and to make known his unsearchable riches. May we have grace to walk in wisdom toward them that are without. Enable us, blessed Lord, to redeem the time; may our speech be always with grace seasoned with salt; and may we be able to give to every man an answer for the faith that is in us, and a reason for it also, with all meekness, and gentleness, and patience. Heavenly Father, grant, we beseech thee, that by thy Holy Spirit we may stand perfect and complete in all the will of God. May we be fellow-workers with thy servants throughout the world; may we be fellow-workers with God. May we read thy holy word. Give us new hearts to read it in patience and love, and with much profit. O heavenly Father, pour out thy Holy Spirit upon all institutions that exist for the diffusion of thy word, and for making known the treasures of thy kingdom to them that be in darkness and in the shadow of death. Raise up them that be bowed down, strengthen such as do stand, comfort the weak-hearted; have mercy, O Lord, upon all men. Let these our prayers come before thee as the evening incense; and let grace be with us, for Christ's sake. Amen.

Saturday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Isaiah xlv. 1–13.

O thou who art the Lord our God, and beside whom there is no God, hear the prayers which we offer unto thee this day, not for our own sakes, but in the name and for the sake of Him who died for us, and rose again, and ever liveth to make

intercession for us. Go with us this day, O thou who fillest all space with thy presence, and make the crooked places before us straight; break in pieces the bars of iron, give us the unsearchable riches of Christ, call us by thy name, gird us, O thou who art the confidence of all the ends of the earth. Let thy name be known from the rising sun, and from the west, until in every land there is none beside thee. O thou, who formest the light, and createst darkness, and who makest peace, and sendest affliction, we pray that thou wouldest make thy ways known upon the earth, and thy saving health among all nations. Let the earth open, and bring forth salvation; let righteousness spring up together. God forbid that the potsherd should any more strive with his Maker, or the clay say to him that fashioned it, "What makest thou?" May we bow before thee in humility and lowliness of heart, and ever feel that thou art good, and just, and righteous, and holy, and true. O God, hide not thy face from us, we beseech thee. Save us with an everlasting salvation. May we never be ashamed. May we never seek thee, O God, in vain. May we look unto the Saviour, the Lamb of God that taketh away the sins of the world, and unto him alone, as our righteousness, our Priest, our Prophet, and our King; and so looking and trusting with our whole heart, may we be saved alike from the curse of sin, and from the power and presence of it in our hearts, and go on our way rejoicing all the day long, saying, "In the Lord have we righteousness and strength; in the Lord are we justified, and in him alone do we glory." Be thou with us on this the last day of another week, and pour thy blessing upon us and ours, giving us in this life knowledge of thy truth, and in the life to come joy everlasting. And this we ask for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Prince, High Priest, and Intercessor; to whom, with thee, and the Eternal Spirit, be all honour and glory evermore. Amen.

Saturday Evening.

Scripture Reading — 1 Thessalonians i.

O God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, of whom the whole family in heaven and in earth is named, may grace be unto us, and peace, from thee, and from the Lord Jesus Christ. We thank thee, O God, for all thy mercies and loving-kindnesses to us and to all men. We thank thee for a Saviour, Christ the Lord, for thy precious gospel, for thy holy word, and for the hopes of thy kingdom. We would remember all that are in bonds, and in tribulation, and commend them to thy sympathy and care. O Lord, may thy gospel come unto us, and unto all who are near and dear to us, not in word only, but also in power, and in the Holy Ghost. May we have in our hearts much assurance. Give us grace to become followers of them who through faith received the word with much affliction, with joy of the Holy Ghost, and are now inheritors of the kingdom of heaven. May the word that we know sound forth from us to every part of the world; may our faith to God-ward be spread abroad. May all connected with us be turned to thee, the living and the true God, from idols. May we have faith to trust in Christ, who came and suffered. Grant us grace to wait and hope for his second coming from heaven. O Lord, deliver from the wrath to come the thousands in the world that live without thee, and without Christ, and without hope in the world. Bless our country. Bless abundantly all our rulers, and judges, and magistrates, our schools and universities, and all ranks and degrees of men amongst us. We close this week with thanking thee for thy mercies; we would pray that all its sins may now be blotted out, through that blood which cleanseth from all sin. We would lie down at peace with thee, and with all mankind, in the name of Him who died for us, and in whose name and words we sum up our petitions, saying, Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, As

it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, The power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

Now may the peace of God that passeth all understanding, keep our hearts and minds in the knowledge of Thee, and of thy Son Jesus Christ; and may the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. Amen.

FORTIETH WEEK.

Sabbath Morning.

SCRIPTURE READING — Psalm lxxx.

O LORD, thou art our Shepherd, and we are the sheep of thy pasture. We will come into thy gates with praise, and into thy courts with thanksgiving. Do thou lead thy people, like a flock, to the green pastures, and by the still waters. O thou who dwellest between the cherubim, shine forth, and reveal thyself, the Lord God, merciful and gracious to Ephraim and Benjamin, and to all thy people throughout the world. Turn to us, O thou who inhabitest the praises of Israel, and cause thy face to shine upon us. Save us, we beseech thee, alike from the curse and the influence of sin. Let the blood of sprinkling speak for us in better words than the blood of Abel; and let thy Holy Spirit dwell in our hearts, and lead us, and guide us continually. O Lord, look upon all those who are suffering affliction and trouble throughout the world; be not angry against their prayers. May it please thee to feed them no more with the bread of tears. Make not thy church, we beseech thee, a strife unto its neighbours; let not its enemies laugh among themselves. Look down upon the vine which thou broughtest out of Egypt; graff us as branches of the

same; let it take deep root; let the hills be covered with its shadow; may the boughs thereof spread like the goodly cedars. Look down from heaven, O Lord, and behold, and visit this vine, and the vineyard which thy right hand hath planted. This day do thou water it. Increase the number of faithful ministers of the everlasting gospel, who shall not be ashamed to make known thy ways upon the earth, and thy saving health among all nations. Let thy hand be upon every servant and ambassador of thine, and make them strong for thyself, we beseech thee. Pour down thy Holy Spirit upon all thy church, as the Spirit of wisdom, and of understanding, and of grace, and of supplication, and of prayer. Turn us again, O Lord God of hosts, cause thy face to shine upon us, and we shall be saved. Quicken us, we beseech thee, according to thy word. May the life of Christ be ours; and this day, refreshed and strengthened by thy presence and blessing, may we go on our way rejoicing. Be our Rock, and our Refuge, our High Tower, and our strong Deliverer. All we beg is in the name of Jesus. This day may grace, mercy, and peace, from God the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, be amongst us, and with all the people of God throughout the world. Amen.

Sabbath Evening.

Scripture Reading — Psalm lxxxi.

We will sing aloud unto thee, O God, our strength, and we will make a joyful noise on this thy day, unto thee the God of Jacob. We will celebrate thy praise in psalms, for thou art worthy. We will sing unto thee with the heart, O thou who inhabitest the praises of Israel. Let the joyful sound be heard in every land, and let all the nations that are in darkness see a great light. Let thy word have free course, and be glorified, and let Jew and Gentile come to the brightness of the rising of the Sun of righteousness. Thou art the Lord our God, who broughtest thy people out of the land of Egypt,

and out of darkness, sin, and sorrow. Unto thee we come, blessed Lord; for to whom can we come but unto thee? Thou hast the words of eternal life. Pardon all our unbelief, our suspicions of thy goodness, our doubts, our fears, and help us to trust in thee with our whole heart. May we fear and love thee, and do thou subdue all our enemies, and deliver us from all our fears. Feed us with the finest of the wheat; and with honey out of the rock do thou satisfy us. May thy word be sweeter to us than honey, and more precious than much fine gold. Do thou look down upon all the ministers of the everlasting gospel, stand by them and strengthen them; give to each a word in season; and may the gospel that has been preached this day prove the savour of life to thousands, and not the savour of death unto any. Let not thy word return to thee void; let it prosper in the thing whereunto thou hast sent it. Let thy people go out with joy and with peace; let the mountains break forth into singing, and let the hills clap their hands. Pardon whatever sinfulness, suspicion, fear, or doubt, thou hast seen in our hearts this day, through the precious blood and sacrifice of Him who died for us. O gracious God, do thou give us a double portion of thy Holy Spirit. May he comfort and convert us, and take of the things that are Christ's, and show them unto us, and enable us to walk before thee, and in all our ways to acknowledge thee. Keep us this night, we beseech thee, under the shadow of thy wings. Bless us with all pledged and promised mercies. Never leave us, never forsake us. All we ask is in the name of Jesus; to whom, with thee, and the Holy Spirit, one God, be eternal and equal praise. And now may the peace of God that passeth all understanding keep our hearts and minds continually, through Jesus Christ our Lord. And may the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst us, and abide with us continually. Amen.

Monday Morning.

Scripture Reading—Isaiah xlvi.

O Thou who livest and reignest for ever, whose kingdom is over all, before whom angels and archangels bow themselves, and cry perpetually, Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts; at the commencement of another week we draw near to thy footstool, and ask of thee to bestow that blessing which the world can neither give nor take away. We desire to go down into all the duties of the week, and into all the trials and afflictions of the world, strong in thy strength, refreshed with thy blessing, ever feeling, and ever rejoicing to know, "Thou God seest us." We pray that the lessons of the sabbath may live in our hearts throughout the week-days. We pray that we may be sanctified through thy truth: thy word is truth. Do thou carry us, we beseech thee, and hear us, and deliver us from them that are against us, even to old age. Blessed Lord, be thou our God, and even to hoary hair do thou carry us, and deliver us. Remember, O Lord, the former things of old, and thy covenant which has been of old for ever. Be thou still our God, for there is none else we can trust in, save only in thee. Be thou our God, for there is none like unto thee. O thou who declarest the end from the beginning, and from ancient times the things that are not yet done; thou whose counsel shall stand, and who doest all thy pleasure, bring near to us thy righteousness, let thy salvation not tarry; place salvation in Zion for Israel thy glory. May the Sun of righteousness arise, and shine in every land with healing under his wings. May the blessed Redeemer be recognised by Jew and Gentile, as the light to lighten the Gentiles, and the glory of his people Israel. May thy word have free course, and be glorified. May all who witness to its excellency, and proclaim its glad tidings, be preserved of thee, and protected in their mission, and made strong in thy strength, and rich in the unsearchable riches of Christ Jesus. Keep us this day without

sin, defend us from all evil, bestow upon us daily bread, lead us into no temptation, help us to hallow thy name, and to do thy will, and to seek first thy kingdom and thy righteousness in all things, that all that we need may be added to us. Give us neither poverty nor riches, but feed us with food convenient for us. Order all our goings, perfect that which concerneth each of us, supply all our wants, satisfy our souls with good things, guide us through all the perplexities, trials, and difficulties of this present life; and when heart and flesh shall faint and fail, be thou in that better life the strength of our hearts, and our portion for ever. And all we beg is in the name of Him who loved us, and died for us, and rose again; to whom, with thee, and the ever-blessed Spirit, be equal and eternal glory. Amen.

Monday Evening.

Scripture Reading — 1 Thessalonians ii.

Lord, we thank thee for the ministers of the gospel, and for the opportunities we have from time to time of hearing thy word fully and faithfully proclaimed. We pray that we may live and speak ourselves, as privileged with many blessings, not as pleasing men, but seeking to please thee, O God, who triest the heart. We pray that in all our ways we may acknowledge thee, and seek glory of none, but ever pray and labour to honour and praise thee. O Lord, grant that we who are the monuments of so many mercies, may walk worthy of God who hath called us unto his kingdom and glory. May we receive the word with all readiness, and lay it up in our hearts, and cherish it, not as the word of man, but, as it is in truth, the word of God. May that word by the blessing of thy Holy Spirit effectually work in us. May we become followers of the churches of God that have kept the faith, and sealed their testimony, and joined the general assembly of the firstborn that are in heaven. May we, O most merciful Father,

so live, and love, and act, and speak, that we shall be regarded by the most faithful of thine ambassadors upon earth, as their hope, their joy, their crown of rejoicing. May we, O God, be presented to thyself without spot, or blemish, or any such thing. May our sins be forgiven us through the blood of sprinkling; may our hearts be renewed by the Holy Spirit; may the blessing that maketh rich, and addeth no sorrow, be upon us. May Divine strength be made perfect in our weakness; and may we, and all near and dear to us, be kept of thee beneath the shadow of thy wings; and finally, when heart and flesh shall faint and fail, may we be accepted of thee, and admitted into thy presence, where there is fulness of joy, and where there are pleasures for evermore. May the peace of God that passeth understanding keep our minds and hearts continually, through Jesus Christ; and may the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be with us all this night and evermore. Amen.

Tuesday Morning.

Scripture Reading—Isaiah xlvii. 1–12.

Lord, to whom can we come but unto thee? Thou hast the words of eternal life. We bless and adore thee as the First and the last, the only living and true God. Our Redeemer is the Lord of hosts, the Holy one of Israel. In his name alone do we rejoice; on his righteousness do we lean; in his atonement alone do we trust, and through it alone do we look for grace, and glory, and every blessing. Blessed be thy name, O Lord, for all thy mercies and loving-kindnesses to us and to all men. We bless thee for our daily mercies; we praise and thank thee above all for spiritual and everlasting blessings, revealed to us in Jesus Christ, the Son of thy love. We praise and bless thee for thy holy word to which we have access, for a throne of grace, and for the means and opportunities of

knowing and loving thee. O Lord, look upon thine inheritance in thy great mercy, we beseech thee, and save it. Hasten the waning of the Mahometan delusion; destroy the antichristian apostasy; bring thy people out of Babylon. Hasten the day when Christ's kingdom shall be exalted on the ruins of the kingdoms of this world, and the whole earth shall be filled with thy glory, and they that sit in darkness shall see a great light, and mercy and truth and righteousness and peace shall meet over our world, and embrace each other. Save us, O Lord, from all sin, superstition, and deadly error. Save us from all the enchantments and seductions of her who saith in her heart, "I am a queen, and shall see no sorrow." Hasten the conversion of all who are in darkness and in the shadow of death. Strengthen those who do stand. Bestow upon us richly the wisdom that is from above, and plant in all hearts the knowledge of thee and of thy Son Christ Jesus, whom to know is eternal life. Keep us, we beseech thee, O Lord, this day without sin; deliver us from all evil; keep our eyes from tears, our feet from falling, and our souls from death. Keep back thy servants from presumptuous sin. Let the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts be acceptable in thy sight, O thou who art our strength and our Redeemer. Mercifully hear our petitions, O Lord, and grant us an answer in loving-kindness and in truth. For all we ask is in the name of Him who loved us, and gave himself for us; to whom, with thee, and the Holy Spirit, be equal and eternal glory. Amen.

Tuesday Evening.

Scripture Reading — 1 Thessalonians iii.

O Lord, we draw near to thee as children to a Father, as sinners to a God, reconciling the world to thyself in Christ Jesus. We humbly beseech thee to pronounce in our hearts thy Divine absolution,—Thy sins be forgiven thee. We earnestly entreat thee to give us thy Holy Spirit to dwell in our

hearts—a light that never shall be darkened, a flame that never shall be quenched, a life that shall never die. Through the power of thy Holy Spirit, our Teacher, our Comforter, our Sanctifier, do thou graciously stablish and comfort us. Grant that we may not be moved by our afflictions, knowing that all things work together for good to them that love God, and are the called according to his purpose. May we weep as though we wept not, and rejoice as though we rejoiced not, and suffer patiently the tribulations assigned us in thy providence, knowing that through much tribulation we must enter into the kingdom of heaven. Deliver us, O Lord, from the wicked one, who goeth about, like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour. Either suffer us not to be tempted above what we are able to bear, or lead us not into temptation at all. O merciful Father, may our faith and charity be increased more and more. In all our afflictions and distresses may we be comforted and upheld by thee. Around us let the everlasting arms be, and over us thy shield and protection. May we joy in the Lord, and may his joy be our strength. O God our Father, do thou hear us, and let the cry of thy children and family come up before thee, and do thou for Christ's sake, and in Christ's name, direct our way. O Lord, make us to increase and abound in love one toward another, and toward all men. Graciously, O God, stablish our hearts, and preserve them unblamable in holiness before thee, the heart-searching God, and our Father; and grant that we may be accepted of thee at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ with all his saints, when he shall come in the clouds with power and great glory, and shall receive his own to himself, that so they may be for ever with the Lord. Keep us during the night-watches that are now to follow; let thy presence be with us; defend us from all dangers; and may all that are near and dear to us be blessed of thee with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places. Let these the words of our mouths, and the meditations of our hearts, come before thee as the evening incense. Show us thy mercy, O God, and grant us thy salvation. Open thou our lips, and our mouths shall show forth thy praise. Touch our

hearts with a coal from the altar, and they shall love thee. And let grace, and mercy, and peace, be upon us, this night and evermore, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Wednesday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Isaiah xlviii. 1–17.

We will arise, and go to our Father, and we will say, Father, we have sinned against heaven and in thy sight, and we are no more worthy to be called thy children. We have sinned against love, and against light, times and ways without number. We have erred and strayed from thee like lost sheep; we have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. For thy name's sake, O Lord, defer thine anger, we beseech thee. Refrain from us for the glory of thy name. Spare thy people, we beseech thee; for we trust in Him who died for us, and was made sin for us, that we might be made the righteousness of God in him. Chasten us as a father chasteneth his own. Refine us, O Lord. Choose us in the furnace of affliction; but save us, we beseech thee, from thy wrath, and from everlasting ruin. For thine own sake do thou do it. Hearken unto us, O God of Jacob. Thou art the first and the last, the beginning and the end; thou hast laid the foundations of the earth, and thy right hand hath spanned the heavens; thou only speakest, and all hear. Call us, we beseech thee, to thyself, bring us near to thee. O thou who art the Lord our God, teach us to profit; lead us in the way in which we should go; give us grace to hearken to thy commandments. Justified by faith, may we have peace with thee, through Jesus Christ our Lord. May our peace be as a river, may our righteousness be as the waves of the sea, may our seed be as the sand. Let thy name be named upon us. Refresh us, O Lord, with waters from the Rock; feed us with the finest of the wheat. Open thy hand, and satisfy our wants. Give us

our daily bread; deliver us from all evil; lead and incline us unto all good; keep us from falling. Whom have we in heaven but thee? and there is none upon earth we desire beside thee. In all time of our wealth, in all time of our tribulation, in the hour of death and in the day of judgment, be thou our strength and strong deliverer. Keep us this day without sin; let thy blessing be upon us and ours, in our going out, and in our coming in. And all we ask is for our Redeemer's name's sake. Amen.

Wednesday Evening.

Scripture Reading — 1 Thessalonians iv.

Almighty and everlasting God, to whom all hearts be open, and all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid, cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, and enable us, as we have received of thee how we ought to walk and to please thee, to abound in this, alike our duty and our enjoyment, more and more. O Lord, may thy will, even our sanctification, be done in us, and through us, and by us. May thy grace teach us to deny ungodliness and worldly lusts, and to live soberly, and righteously, and godly, in this present world, looking for that blessed hope, the glorious appearing of Jesus Christ our God and Saviour. Call us by thy Spirit, as thou hast called us by thy word, unto holiness. May we love one another with pure hearts fervently. May each study to be quiet, and to do his own business, and to work with his own hands as commanded of thee. May we have grace to walk honestly toward them that are without. May we not sorrow concerning our relatives, brethren, and friends, that are asleep in Christ, as those that have no hope. Impress upon our hearts this blessed belief, that as Jesus died and rose again, even so them that sleep in Jesus will he bring with him; and whether we be alive at the coming of the Lord, or with the Lord in glory, may we equally be presented to him a glorious church, without spot or blemish. May we be caught

up together with them to meet the Lord in the air, and so may we be for ever with the Lord. Comfort us concerning the future of ourselves; comfort us concerning them that have left us with these precious truths. Write all thy promises, and all thy word and will, upon our hearts, and enable us to love thee more, to serve thee better, and to glorify thee and commend thy blessed gospel by the purity of our lives and the happiness of our hearts. For all that we ask is in the name and through the merits of thy dear Son, to whom, with thee, and the Holy Spirit, be everlasting glory. Amen.

Thursday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Isaiah xlix. 1–16.

O Lord, who hast called thy people in everlasting love, and made us to be the servants and the sons of the Most High, help us to worship thee who art a Spirit, in spirit and in truth. In an acceptable time, O Lord, do thou hear us; in this the day of salvation do thou help us. Preserve us, O God, we beseech thee. Cause us to inherit the desolate heritages. Say to the prisoners, Go forth; and to them that are in darkness, Show yourselves. Feed us in our ways, and let our pastures be in all high places. Our judgment is with thee the Lord, and our work is with our God; be thou glorious, O Lord, in our eyes, be thou our strength. Prepare us for that blessed state, in which they shall not hunger nor thirst; neither shall the heat nor the sun smite them. Lead us even now, and by the springs of water do thou guide us. O Lord, when disconsolate, depressed, or cast down, do thou remind us of thy blessed promise, that thou wilt never forget us. Engrave us upon the palms of thy hands; let the walls of thy church be continually before thee. Hasten that day when the wilderness shall rejoice, and the desert place shall blossom even as the rose, and all thy children shall be taught of thee, and great

shall be the peace of thy children. May the islands of the ocean wait for thee; may none be ashamed, O Lord, who seek thee; for thou art our Redeemer, and our Saviour, the mighty One of Jacob. This day, O Lord, be with us. In all our ways we desire to acknowledge thee, in all our difficulties do thou direct us. Make clean our paths before us. Keep us from all evil, sanctify to us every dispensation, sweeten to us every blessing. Let goodness and mercy follow us all the days of our life, and let us dwell in thy house for ever and ever. Hear these our humble petitions in heaven thy dwelling-place, and when thou hearest, graciously pardon all our sins, for the sake of Jesus Christ our only Redeemer. Amen.

Thursday Evening.

Scripture Reading—1 Thessalonians v.

O Lord our heavenly Father, who reignest over all, may we live as those who constantly expect the coming of the Lord. Do thou sanctify the church and awaken the world. While others are saying, "Peace and safety," and sudden destruction is about to come upon them, may we, knowing the times and the seasons, never forget that the day of the Lord cometh as a thief in the night. O Lord, may we look for him, and may he come to us the second time without sin unto salvation. May we be proved the children of light, and the children of the day. Let us not sleep, but watch and be sober. Give us grace to put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for an helmet the hope of salvation. Pour into our hearts thy comfort, and help us to comfort and edify one another. May we, O God, esteem very highly thy ministering servants in love for their work's sake. God forbid that we should render evil for evil unto any man; may we ever follow that which is good. Give us grace from on high to rejoice evermore, to pray without ceasing, and in everything to give thanks. May we never quench the Spirit, nor despise thy written word. Give us

wisdom, O God, from on high to prove all things, and to hold fast that which is good. May we abstain from all appearance of evil; may this day's sins be forgiven us in Christ's name. May this day's faults and failings be corrected by the influence of thy Holy Spirit; and do thou, the God of peace, sanctify us wholly, and preserve our whole spirit, and soul, and body, blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. Endue thy church with power from on high. Pour down thy Holy Spirit upon her ministers and her people. O God, bless our President and all others in authority. Establish this nation in righteousness. Defend it from aggression from without, and from corruption within. May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with us all this night and evermore. Amen.

Friday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Isaiah l.

O Thou who art the hearer of prayer, thy hand is not shortened that it cannot redeem, thy power is not weakened that it cannot deliver. Thou makest the rivers a wilderness, thou clothest the heavens with blackness, thou makest sackcloth their covering. We bow our hearts at thy footstool, we ask of thee thy gracious blessing. Thou art our Father, we are the children of thine adoption. Hear us, we beseech thee, and help us. Do us all the good that thou seest we most deeply need. We ask our blessings for the sake of Him who hid not his face from shame and spitting, who was wounded for our transgressions, and bruised for our iniquities, on whom was the chastisement of our peace. For his sake justify us. O Lord, do thou help us; may there be no condemnation to us who are in Christ Jesus. May we be found in him, not having our own righteousness, but his. Deliver us from all sin, sanctify us to all good. And those who fear the Lord, and obey the voice of his servants, but yet walk in darkness

and have no light, do thou endow with grace, O God, from the fountain of grace, to trust in the saving name of thee the Lord, and to stay themselves upon thee, thou mighty God of Jacob. This day let thy mercy be upon us, even as we put our trust in thee. Thou art the King of glory, O Christ. When thou tookest upon thee to deliver mankind, thou didst not abhor the Virgin's womb. When thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death, thou didst open the kingdom of heaven to all believers. We believe that thou wilt come to be our Judge. We therefore pray thee, help thy servants, whom thou hast redeemed with thy precious blood. Make us to be numbered with thy saints in glory everlasting. O Lord, in thee do we trust; may we never be confounded. Our hope is in the Lord our God; may none who trust in thee ever be ashamed. And now unto Him who is able to keep us from falling, and to present us faultless before his presence in glory with exceeding joy; to the only wise God, even Jesus our Saviour, be glory, and majesty, and dominion, and power. And may grace, and mercy, and peace, from God the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, be with us all this day and evermore. Amen.

Friday Evening.

SCRIPTURE READING — 2 Thessalonians i.

O HEAVENLY Father, thou who dwellest in the light inaccessible and full of glory, our Father, the God and Father of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, let grace and peace from thee, and from the Lord Jesus Christ, lighten upon us this evening, and abide with us evermore. Grant that our faith may grow exceedingly, and that the charity of every one of us toward each other may abound more and more. O Lord, may we run the race set before us patiently, looking unto Jesus, the author and the finisher of our faith. May we endure persecutions and tribulations for Christ's sake joyfully. O do thou count us worthy of the kingdom of God, and fit us for the coming

of the Son of man. May we have rest at that day when the Lord Jesus, according to thy holy word, shall be revealed from heaven with his mighty angels, in flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. O Lord, whilst they who reject the Saviour, and deny his precious gospel, are punished with everlasting destruction from his presence, and from the glory of his power, may we be found, and increasing numbers every day, in the number of his saints, in whom he shall be glorified, and by whom he shall be admired at that day. Do thou spread thy gospel wider and wider, and increase, we beseech thee, those that believe it, and receive it as the wisdom of God, and the power of God, unto salvation. Count us worthy, O most merciful Father, of this calling, and fulfil all the good pleasure of thy goodness, and the work of faith with power, in us, and by us, and with us. Help us, O Lord, in all our ways, in all we undertake, suffer, sacrifice, and do, to glorify that name which is above every name, in which alone we trust and hope, the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. May his grace more and more take possession of our hearts; may we glory in his cross; may we count all but loss for the excellency of his righteousness; and justified by faith, may we have peace with thee, this night and evermore, for his sake. Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, As it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, The power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

Saturday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Isaiah li. 1–12.

O Lord, we beseech thee to hear us for the sake of Christ, the Rock of ages. Look upon him, even thine Anointed, and for his sake, O Lord, do thou bless us. Make us children of Abraham by making us children of thine adoption, heirs of thee, and joint-heirs with Christ. Pardon our sins, we beseech thee, in his name; clothe us with thy righteousness, even the righteousness which is of thee through faith. For his sake accept of our thanksgivings for all the mercies of the night past. Continue thy loving-kindness and protecting and preserving goodness with us this day. Let thy righteousness be near to us. Send forth thy salvation to the uttermost ends of the earth; let the isles wait upon thee. In thine arm may we trust. Let thy salvation be for ever, and may thy righteousness never be abolished. Put on thy strength, O arm of the Lord; awake, as in ancient days, in the generations of old. Save thy people with a mighty hand from the depths of sin and Satan, and let the redeemed return, and come with singing unto Zion, and let everlasting joy be upon our heads. May we obtain gladness and joy; may sorrow and mourning for ever flee away. O Thou who comfortest thy people, who art our Maker, who hast stretched forth the heavens, and laid the foundations of the earth, be thou our strength and our refuge, our trust, and our hope, and our strong deliverer. Say unto us, O thou Holy One of Israel, Thou art my people. Save us, we beseech thee, from destruction, famine, plague, pestilence, and the sword. Comfort us in our trials, deliver us from perils, sanctify to us our afflictions, make all things work together for good to them that love thee, and are the called according to thy purpose. This day, in transacting this world's business, and engaging in its duties, may we set thee before us, and seek first thy kingdom and thy righteousness, that all

other things may be added unto us. O Lord, hear our prayers, we beseech thee, in heaven thy dwelling-place, in the name of Him whom thou hearest always. Sanctify to us all that has befallen us during the week past; fit us, we beseech thee, for all the privileges that may await us, and strengthen us for all the trials that may be before us, in times to come. We ask all for the sake of the Lamb of God, who taketh away the sin of the world. Amen.

Saturday Evening.

Scripture Reading — 2 Thessalonians ii.

O Lord, give us peace in the midst of the world, we earnestly beseech thee. May we not be shaken in mind, or troubled in spirit, because of the things that are coming to pass upon the earth. When we see thy judgments abroad upon the earth, may we lift up our heads, knowing that our redemption draweth nigh. We pray that the man of sin, the son of perdition, who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, and that is worshipped, may be speedily destroyed. May he that sitteth in the temple of God, showing himself as if he were God, be removed from that temple, and may thy name alone be heard there, and thy praise alone be celebrated there, and thy glory alone be revealed there. Deliver us and all connected with us from the taint and poison of the mystery of iniquity. Hasten the day, O God, we beseech thee, when that wicked one shall be consumed by the spirit of thy mouth, and destroyed with the brightness of Christ's coming. O merciful Father, deliver those who are partaking of the sins of Babylon from those sins, that they may be saved from her plagues; and may thy people who are in Babylon hear thy voice summoning them to come out of her, that they perish not with her. May we hold the truth, O God, in all its purity, simplicity, and beauty. Deliver us not up to strong delusion to believe a lie. May we, O most merciful Father, be found

in the number of them whom thou hast chosen from the beginning to salvation through sanctification of the Spirit and belief of the truth. May we receive thy testimony in all earnestness and simplicity. May thy Holy Spirit seal its influence upon our hearts, and so may we discover by our inner life and our outer walk that we are beloved of thee the Lord, and in the number of thine elect. May we stand fast, O Lord, holding the whole truth which thou hast revealed and inspired for our direction, comfort, and instruction. This night we desire to lie down at peace with thee and with all mankind. May the sins of the past week be blotted out in the precious blood of Him who died for us, and whose blood cleanseth from all sin. May our hearts be comforted and stablished in every good word and work, through Jesus Christ. Now our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God, even our Father, which hath loved us, and hath given us everlasting consolation and good hope through grace, comfort our hearts, and stablish us in every good word and work. And may the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost, be with us all this night and evermore. Amen.

FORTY-FIRST WEEK.

Sabbath Morning.

Scripture Readings — Psalm lxxxii.; lxxxiii.

Heavenly Father, we thy children draw near to thy footstool, and praise and bless thee for the dawn of another day of the Son of man. We thank thee for him who is the resurrection and the life, and who rose from the dead the first-fruits of them that slept. We thank thee for thy holy word, a lamp to our feet, and a light to our path. We praise thee for a sanctuary wherein to worship thee, and for the great congregation in which thou standest and blessest them who approach

thy footstool. O Lord, be with us this day, we beseech thee. Carry us into thy gates with praise, and into thy courts with thanksgiving. Make known thy ways upon the earth, and thy saving health among all nations. Let all the people praise thee. Let the earth yield her increase, and do thou bless us. O Lord, look upon them who are in darkness, and in the shadow of death, and let the light of the Sun of righteousness shine upon them. Heavenly Father, let Jesus soon judge the earth; inherit the nations; reign from sea to sea, and from the river even to the ends of the earth; and hasten that blessed day when all the people shall be righteous, and all shall know that thou, whose name alone is Jehovah, art the Most High over all the earth. Visit the sick and the afflicted; look in mercy upon them who are drawing near to death; comfort them that mourn, raise up them that be bowed down, strengthen such as do stand, comfort the weak-hearted. Especially we beseech thee to bless thy ministering servants throughout the whole earth this day; anoint them with unction from on high; give them a word in season; may they speak with power and demonstration, and with much of thy presence and blessing. Graciously hear these our petitions on this thy day, in the name of him in whom alone we trust; unto whom, with thee, and the Holy Spirit, be all honour and glory for ever. Amen.

Sabbath Evening.

Scripture Reading — Psalm lxxxiv.

O Lord, on this the day which thou hast consecrated to thy service, and to our spiritual good, we approach thee as the hearer of prayer, and render praise and thanksgiving unto thee for all thy loving-kindness, and all thy tender mercies from day to day vouchsafed to us. Bless the Lord, O our souls, and all that is within us, bless his holy name. Make us thankful for our privileges, may we sacredly employ them. Our souls would still long for thy courts, and our heart and

our flesh would cry out for the living God. May we prefer a day in thy courts to a thousand in the gates of sin, and feel with our hearts, as well as express with our lips, how amiable are thy tabernacles, O Lord of hosts. Grant us the blessedness of them that dwell in thy house, and under a sense of the greatness of its privileges and the sweetness of its mercies, are still praising thee. Grant us, heavenly Father, the blessedness of that man whose strength is in thee, and who goes from strength to strength until he appears before thee in Zion. May the sanctuary be to us a spring in the desert, a well of living water springing up unto everlasting life. May thy ministering servants be armed with thy power, anointed as with fresh oil, strengthened for their great work, and prospered with an abundant blessing always and everywhere. Hear our prayers, O Lord, we beseech thee, for all thy people scattered throughout the whole earth. May all who are in trouble, grief, or sorrow of any kind have patience under all their trials, and a happy issue out of them all. We have found this day in thy courts better than a thousand. We would rather hold the humblest office in the sanctuary than dwell in the place of wickedness. Strengthen us to walk uprightly, and increase in us the blessedness of that man who trusteth in thee. Hear these our prayers, and accept of these our thanksgivings, in the name of Him who is our only Mediator: and unto Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, one God, we ascribe the kingdom, the power, and the glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Monday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Isaiah lii.

O Lord, we thank and praise thee that our ears have heard the good tidings of good, and the voice of him that publisheth peace, and that publisheth salvation, that saith unto Zion, Thy God reigneth. We thank and praise thee for all the privileges

that we enjoy from day to day, and from week to week, and for the useful, instructive, and awakening lessons which thou art pleased to teach us from thy blessed word, and in thy daily providence, and by the ministry of thy servants everywhere. We pray, O most merciful Father, that our minds may be enlightened more and more, that our hearts may be sanctified through thy truth by thy Holy Spirit, and that the privileges which we in thy mercy possess may be extended to them that dwell in the uttermost parts of the earth. O Lord, let the waste places of Jerusalem break forth into joy; do thou comfort thy people. Redeem Jerusalem, we beseech thee. Let thy watchmen lift up the voice, and let thy servants see eye to eye, and hasten the day when thou shalt bring again Zion. May many nations be sprinkled with the efficacy of atoning blood. May they who crucified the Lord of glory, and pierced him, look upon him, and repent, and be saved; and may Jew and Gentile be a people ready and prepared for the coming of the Lord. Make known thy name, blessed Lord, every where; may it be blasphemed no where. May Zion put on her strength, and Jerusalem, the holy city, her beautiful garments, and may she shake herself from the dust, and no more be the captive daughter of Zion. O Lord, may we depart from all that is unclean, and may they that bear the vessels of the Lord touch no evil. Let these the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts come up before thee like the morning incense, acceptable in the name and through the merits of Jesus Christ, our Prince and our Redeemer. Amen.

Monday Evening.

Scripture Reading — 2 Thessalonians iii.

Lord, we pray for ourselves, that it may please thee to help us; we pray for all men, that it may please thee to have mercy upon them. We pray especially for the household of faith, that it may please thee to increase in their hearts thy love,

and to shed abroad upon them thy Spirit. We pray especially that thy word may have free course and be glorified in every heart, and life, and city, and land throughout the world. Deliver thy ministering servants from unreasonable and wicked men. Be faithful, O Lord, and stablish us, and keep us from evil. Direct our hearts, we beseech thee, in the love of God, and in patient waiting for Christ Jesus. Number us with those who look for him the second time without sin unto salvation. May we walk as becometh saints. May we labour and be diligent in business and fervent in spirit, delighting to do the duty that belongs to us by thy grace in the sphere in which thou hast placed us in thy providence. Give us, O Lord, our daily bread; give us strength, we beseech thee, to earn it. May all men with quietness work, and eat their own bread. We pray that we may never be weary in well-doing. May we ever feel that we shall reap if we faint not. O thou who art the Lord of peace, who broughtest again from the dead that great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant give us peace always by all means. Let grace, and mercy, and peace be with us this night. Watch over us in its silent hours, defend us from all peril, strengthen us for all that lies before us in the world. Keep our feet from falling, and preserve us faultless for thy presence and kingdom in glory. Thanks be to thee, O Lord, for all thy mercies and loving-kindnesses this day. With grateful hearts we bless thee; with holy lives may we glorify thee; and when heart and flesh shall faint and fail, may there be for us an abundant entrance into thy kingdom and glory, through Christ the Saviour. Amen.

Tuesday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Isaiah liii.

Lord, may greater numbers believe the report of the everlasting gospel; may thine Almighty arm be revealed in the hearts of increasing numbers day by day. We thank thee for the gift of thy Son, the only Saviour, the root out of a dry ground, who was despised and rejected of men. We thank thee that he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows, that he was wounded for our transgressions, and bruised for our iniquities, and that the chastisement of our peace was upon him, and that with his stripes we are healed. O Lord, all we have gone astray, like lost sheep. We have turned every one to his own way; we have been unmindful of God; we have forgotten and forsaken the Rock of our salvation. May we be among the travail of the Redeemer's soul, which he shall see, and be satisfied. By this knowledge may thy Son, O heavenly Father, justify many. May he bear our iniquities, may he make intercession for us. Send forth thy light and thy truth, O Lord; and let thy Holy Spirit dwell in our hearts, and create clean hearts and renew right spirits within us. Keep us this day without sin, and search us, and try us, and see if there be any wicked way within us, and lead us, O Lord, in the way everlasting. Turn our hearts unto thee; keep us from falling; strengthen us for duty; prepare us for trial; prosper us with a Father's blessing. In all our ways may we acknowledge thee, and do thou direct our steps. Save us, O Lord, and hear us, we beseech thee, when we call upon thee. All that we ask is in the name of Him who died for us and rose again; to whom, with thee, and the ever-blessed Spirit, one God, and our God, we ascribe all honour and glory, world without end. Amen.

Tuesday Evening.

Scripture Reading — 1 Timothy i.

O Lord, whilst we pray for ourselves, we pray for all our brethren of mankind, that grace, and mercy, and peace from thee the Father, and the Lord Jesus Christ, and the Eternal Comforter, may be upon us all. Pardon the sins which thou hast seen to cleave to us this day. Sanctify to us our trials, make us thankful for our mercies, may we grow in grace. Strengthen us to keep thy law, and to honour thy holy name always and everywhere. We pray for all the ministers of the everlasting gospel. May they not give heed to fables, and endless genealogies, which minister questions of dispute rather than godly edifying. Increase in our hearts that charity which is the end of the commandment. May we have consciences cleansed in the blood of sprinkling, and faith which is the gift of God. O Lord, we desire to thank and praise thee for all that thou hast done for us in providing for us means of grace and opportunities of knowing thee. We thank thee for the faithful saying, worthy of all acceptation, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. We thank thee that thy servant and apostle of old is to us a proof that Jesus saves the chiefest of sinners, and is still a pattern to all who hereafter believe in Christ to life everlasting. Lord, hear our prayers, accept of our praises, help us with the whole heart to rely upon the great atonement which thou hast provided: and unto the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only wise God, be honour and glory, for ever and ever, through Christ Jesus. May the grace of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, and the love of God our heavenly Father, and the communion of the Holy Ghost our Comforter, be with us all evermore. Amen.

Wednesday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Isaiah liv.

O Lord our heavenly Father, we thank and praise thee for thy promises which are yea and amen in Christ Jesus. We thank thee that we have access to thy footstool, and the promise of an answer to our prayers from thee. We pray, O thou, who art our Father, the Husband of thy church, the Lord of hosts, the God of the whole earth, that we may never forget, forsake, or be ashamed of thee and of thy cause in the world. May thy church enlarge the place of its tent; may she lengthen her cords, and strengthen her stakes. May the Gentile and the Jew no longer be desolate, but rejoice together. O Lord, forsake us not, we beseech thee, in thy wrath, nor hide thy face from us. We thank thee for thy promises. We believe that the mountains shall depart, and the hills be removed, but that thy kindness shall not depart from us, nor shall the covenant of thy peace be removed. May we and all thy children be taught of thee. May we be established in righteousness. May thy church prosper and prevail mightily; let no weapon formed against her prosper. Let the whole earth be filled with thy glory. Guide us this day, and keep us, and bless us. Let the peace that passeth understanding keep our hearts and minds continually, through Jesus Christ our Lord. And unto him who is able to keep us from falling, and to present us faultless before thy presence in glory with exceeding joy, to the only wise God our Saviour, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, now and evermore. Amen.

Wednesday Evening.

Scripture Reading — 1 Timothy ii.

Lord, at the close of another day we draw near to thy footstool, and lift up our hearts to thee, who art the hearer of prayer; and we praise and we bless thee for all the goodness thou hast made to pass before us this day, and for all thy mercies, spiritual, temporal, and eternal, to us and to all men. We desire at thy footstool to offer up supplications, intercessions, prayers, and giving of thanks for all men. We pray for our President, thy servant. May our government long continue over a free and a religious people. We pray for all who are in authority under it and over us. May we under them lead quiet and peaceable lives in all godliness and honesty. In the name of the one Mediator we draw near to thy footstool, and we ask of thee to give us the spirit that becomes us, and a sense of the responsibility under which we lie for all the privileges, national, social, and personal, which we enjoy. We thank thee that Jesus Christ gave himself a ransom for all, and that because he did so he is the Mediator, and the only Mediator, between thee and us. May women adorn themselves in modest apparel, with shamefacedness and sobriety, seeking that true beauty which is inner and everlasting, in preference to that outer ornament, which is evanescent. We pray that every mother in this land may have much of thy grace, that her great influence may be sanctified to the good of those thou hast given her. Provide for us things convenient in the sight of all men, deliver us from all evil, lead us into no temptation, give us daily bread, feed us with living bread, help us to do thy will, and to hallow thy name. Pour down on all thy church the spirit of thankfulness, of love of truth, of a sound mind. Clothe thy ministering servants with salvation. Let thy people rejoice with joy unutterable and full of glory. Increase thy church. Add to it daily such as shall

be saved. Bless every effort made by thy missionary servants to enlighten Jew and Gentile. Give them encouraging tokens of thy blessing. Help them to feel that in due season they will reap if they faint not. Let the people praise thee. Let all the people praise thee. Let the earth yield her increase, and God, our own God, do thou bless us. Hear us, and help us, and bless us. May grace, and mercy, and peace, from God the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, be with us all now and evermore. And all we beg is for our blessed Redeemer's name's sake. Amen.

Thursday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Isaiah lv.

O Lord, may we obey from the heart thine own blessed invitation to come to thee. May the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts, and may we all return unto thee the Lord, and do thou, for Christ's sake, have mercy upon us, and in his name do thou abundantly pardon us. May we no more spend our money for that which is not bread, and our labour for that which satisfieth not. Gracious God, may thy word that cometh forth out of thy mouth not return unto thee void; may it accomplish in our hearts the thing that thou pleasest, and prosper in the thing whereunto thou hast sent it. O Lord, may we go out with joy, and be led forth with peace; may the mountains and the hills break forth before us into singing, and all the trees of the field clap their hands. Pour down thy Holy Spirit upon the whole earth, and upon all the portions of thy church. Let its deserts rejoice. Instead of the thorn may there come up the fir tree; and instead of the brier, may there come up the myrtle tree; and may it be to the Lord for a name, for an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off. Gracious Father, comfort our hearts in trouble; sanctify us through thy truth; make us a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation; may we have grace to show forth

the praises of Him who hath called us from darkness into his marvellous light. Keep us this day, O Lord, without sin. Deliver us from evil, lead us into no temptation; grant us daily bread; satisfy our souls with goodness. Open thy hand, and meet the desires of all flesh. Make us thankful for the past, and hopeful for the future, trusting in thee the Lord. Hasten that blessed day when the name of Jesus shall be exalted above every name, and all shall bless him and be blessed in him. Let the whole earth be filled with his glory. Let the prayers of thy people speedily end in eternal praises. And this we beg for the Redeemer's sake. And unto Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, one God, be glory, and blessing, and praise evermore. Amen.

Thursday Evening.

Scripture Reading — 1 Timothy iii.

O Lord, Fountain of all good things, pour down thy Holy Spirit upon thy whole church; specially do thou fit and largely endow for their office its ministers and rulers. May they be blameless, vigilant, sober, of good behaviour, given to hospitality, apt to teach. May they be patient, and not covetous. May thy Holy Spirit fit them for their lofty and responsible duties. May they study thy blessed word; may they consecrate their time and talents to thy glory. May they be eminently successful in winning souls, in building up thy church, in reclaiming the lost, in encouraging the desponding, in strengthening the weak. May they be blessed, and be blessings to all men. O thou, who didst ascend on high, and didst lead captivity captive, giving gifts unto men, give thy Holy Spirit unto all whom thou hast appointed in thy church, that they may know how to conduct themselves in the house of God, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth. O Lord our heavenly Father, we thank and praise thee, that thou hast made known to us the mystery

of godliness. We thank thee that God was manifest in the flesh, and that in Jesus we can see thee as thou art; may we soon love thee as we ought. We praise thee that he was justified in the Spirit, and seen of angels, and preached unto us Gentiles, and believed on in our hearts, and is now in glory, ever living to plead and intercede for us. O Lord, help us to walk worthy of our precious privileges; may we honour the doctrine we profess; may the world take notice of us, that we have been with Jesus; and at last may we be presented faultless before thy presence in glory with exceeding joy. O Lord, give us grace fully to proclaim the great mystery of godliness, and to preach it directly or indirectly, according to our office or means, to the Gentiles. Make thy church a faithful witness, a firm pillar, a light to the nations. Hear our prayers, O Lord, and bless us, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our only Saviour. Unto Him who is able to keep us from falling, and to present us faultless before thy presence in glory, be all honour and blessing. Amen.

Friday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Isaiah lvi.

O Lord, to whom can we come, but unto thee? thou hast the words of eternal life. We praise thee, we worship thee, as Jehovah, the First and the Last, the Beginning and the End. O God, may we savingly rejoice in thee, and glory in thy salvation. May the righteousness of Christ be upon us. Justified by faith, may we have peace with thee through him. May there be no condemnation to us. May thy blessing rest upon us this day in our going out and coming in, and in all we set our hand to. May the peace that passeth understanding keep us: may thy grace be sufficient for us; may thy strength be made perfect in all our weaknesses. Gather in, O Lord, day by day the outcasts of Israel. Fetch home to thine

own blessed fold all such as have erred and strayed. Increase the number of faithful watchmen on the walls of Zion. Everywhere throughout the earth do thou preserve thy sabbaths, and spread thy blessed word and bring increasing numbers to thy holy mountain, and make them joyful in thy house of prayer, and accept of our sacrifices through Christ the only altar, and let thy house be called everywhere a house of prayer for all people. Convert, or remove, blind watchmen — hirelings, and ungodly and unfaithful ministers, from thy service. Enable all thy ministers to be sober, vigilant, prayerful, and painstaking in their work and labour of love. Pour down thy Holy Spirit on thy church universal. Let another Pentecost come speedily. Hear these our petitions, we beseech thee, in heaven thy dwelling-place, for the sake of Him who ever liveth to make intercession for us; and unto Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be all honour and praise, and majesty and dominion, now and evermore. Amen.

Friday Evening.

Scripture Reading — 1 Timothy iv.

Lord, we thank thee that the Spirit speaks to the churches; we bless thee that thy word is truth, and that in it we can hear thy Holy Spirit address every conscience in words of warning, of encouragement, and always of love. We pray that we may be delivered from all the taint of that great apostasy from the faith, whose unhappy servants give heed to seducing spirits and doctrines of devils. We pray that we may be able to hold the truth in all its purity, and to accept as Divine and necessary to our salvation only what is founded on thy holy word. Do thou call out of Babylon those thy people that are in it, that they may not partake of its sins, or receive of its plagues. Give us grace to refuse profane fables. May we receive every creature of thine as good, receiving it with thanksgiving. Make all thy ministering servants good

ministers of Jesus Christ. Make us examples in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity, to all that are around us. Gracious God, may we take heed to ourselves, and walk worthy of our calling. We pray that thou wouldest hasten that blessed day when we shall no more teach every man his neighbour, saying, Know the Lord; but all shall know thee from the least to the greatest, and the whole earth shall be filled with thy glory. Hear our petitions, heavenly Father. Help us to hallow thy name, and to do thy will, and to promote thy kingdom. Give thou to us daily bread; pardon all our sins through the blood of sprinkling; deliver us from all evil; lead us into no temptation. We thank thee, O Father of mercies, for all the mercies of another day. We praise thee for daily bread; yet more heartily do we thank thee for the bread of life that cometh down from heaven. Fill our hearts with joy and thanksgiving. The Lord bless us and keep us. The Lord lift up the light of his countenance upon us, and be gracious to us. The Lord lift up the light of his countenance upon us, and give us peace. May the grace of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. And all that we ask is for our Saviour's name's sake. Amen.

Saturday Morning.

Scripture Reading—Isaiah lvii. 1–15.

We will arise, and go to our Father, and we will say unto him, Father, we have sinned against heaven, and in thy sight, and we are no more worthy to be called thy children. In us there dwelleth no good thing; the gold is dim, and the fine gold is changed: we are poor, and naked, and blind, and in ourselves perishing from thee for ever. We praise thee that in Jesus we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins. O Lamb of God that takest away the sin

of the world, take away our sins, we beseech thee. O thou who wast bruised, and put to grief, do thou save us, and redeem us, and restore us to thy favour, and make us unchangeably thine. Keep us, we beseech thee, this day without sin; defend us from every peril; lead us into no temptation; deliver us from every evil; give us daily bread; command thy blessing on our basket and on our store; perfect thy strength in our weakness, make thy grace sufficient for us; guide us by thy counsel; hold us by thy right hand; prosper us with thy blessing; fetch us home to thine everlasting fold, and so may we be for ever with thee the Lord. Accept of our thanks, O Lord our Father, for all thy mercies and loving-kindnesses to us during the past week; for temporal, spiritual, and eternal blessings in Christ our Lord; and do for us and to us above all that we can either ask or think, for the sake of thy dear Son, our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. And unto Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, our God, the God of Abraham, of Isaac, and of Jacob, be glory, and honour, and thanksgiving, and praise for ever and ever. And may the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God our Father, and the communion of the Holy Ghost the Comforter, be with us and upon us this day in our going out and coming in, and henceforth, even for evermore. Amen.

Saturday Evening.

SCRIPTURE READING—1 Timothy v.

O LORD, give us grace to live to thee, as becometh those who have received so many and so distinguishing mercies. May we honour all men, may we love the brotherhood. Make us living epistles, written, not with pen and ink, but by the Holy Ghost, and seen and read of all men. Lord, give us grace to trust in thee, and to show that we are thine, and believe thy word, and obey thy law, by showing piety at home, and ever doing that which is good and acceptable before thee. Give us

grace, O Lord, to trust in thee, and to continue in supplications and prayers night and day. Forbid that we should live in pleasure. May we have grace to provide for our own, especially for those of our own house, our relatives, connexions, and friends. May all connected with us be well reported of for good works; may we have grace to follow every good work, to relieve the afflicted, and to give offence to none. May the elders that rule well be counted worthy of double honour in every portion of thy church, especially they who labour in the word and doctrine. Receiving from them spiritual things, may we gladly minister to them temporal things, remembering that the labourer in thy vineyard is worthy of his reward. Give us grace to observe all the things which thou hast commanded, without preferring one before another, doing nothing by partiality. May we live soberly, and righteously, and godly, looking for that blessed hope, the glorious appearing of Jesus Christ our great God and Saviour, who loved us and gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and make us a peculiar people zealous of good works. We ask all in His name. And may grace, and mercy, and peace from God the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, be with us all this night and evermore. Amen.

FORTY-SECOND WEEK.

Sabbath Morning.

Scripture Reading — Psalm lxxxv.

Lord, on this the morning of thy day, we surround thy throne, and unite together in asking thy blessing upon us and ours, even the blessing that maketh rich and addeth no sorrow. We thank thee that thou hast been favourable to our land, and hast continued to us our sabbaths, our privileges, and our mercies. We thank thee that we have the Bible in our hand, and

that we may worship thee under our vine and our fig tree, none making us afraid. For Christ's sake forgive all the iniquity of thy people; with his righteousness do thou cover all our sins, take away from us, blessed Lord, all thy wrath which we most justly deserve, and turn thyself from the fierceness of thine anger, and have mercy upon us. Turn us, O God, to thyself. Let thine anger cease; revive us again by thy Holy Spirit; revive thy work in the midst of us; revive thy church every where, and cause the dews of thy grace to descend upon its parched places, that it may rejoice and blossom as the rose. Show us thy mercy, O Lord, and grant us thy salvation. This day, O Lord, may we hear, both in our house and in the sanctuary, what thou the Lord wilt speak. Speak peace to us, O God of peace, and to all thy saints make known thy blessed will, and give us grace not to turn again to folly. May glory dwell in our land; may the mercy and the truth of the gospel meet together over us; may righteousness and peace kiss each other in our streets. Let truth spring out of the earth, and righteousness look down from heaven. Give unto us that which is truly good; do thou bless us, and let the land yield her increase. Let righteousness go before thee, and set us in the way of thy steps. Hear these our humble petitions, O Lord, for the sake of Jesus Christ, in whose name and words we sum up our petitions, saying, Our Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, As it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, The power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

The Lord bless us and keep us this day. The Lord lift upon us the light of his countenance, and be gracious to us in his house of prayer this day. The Lord lift up the light of his countenance upon us, and give us and ours peace evermore. Amen.

Sabbath Evening.

Scripture Reading — Psalm lxxxvi.

O Lord, our heavenly Father, on this thy day we draw near to thy footstool, and beseech thee to hear from heaven thy dwelling-place, and to cause thy face to shine upon us, and to be merciful to us and bless us. Preserve our souls, O Lord, who art the confidence of all the ends of the earth, and of them that are afar off upon the sea, and save thy servants who put their trust in thee. In the name and through the mediation of the only Saviour, be thou merciful to us, O Lord, and help us to pray to thee daily. Rejoice the souls of thy servants, O Lord, by giving us that kingdom which is righteousness, and peace, and joy, and by strengthening us with all might, and enabling us to rejoice in thy name all the day long. O Lord, thou art good and ever ready to forgive; show thy goodness, we beseech thee, in forgiving us all our sins, and blotting out all our trespasses, in the name of Him who was made sin for us, that we might be made the righteousness of God in him. May we find thee by happy experience plenteous in mercy unto all them that call upon thee. O Lord, attend to the voice of our supplications. In the day of our trouble especially do thou hear us. We will call upon thee; fulfil thy promise, and graciously answer us. Thou only art God, and there is none like unto thee; may all flesh soon come and worship before thee, and glorify thy name. O Lord, let the glad sound of the gospel, even the knowledge of thee, a God full of compassion, gracious, long-suffering, and plenteous in mercy and truth, spread everywhere over all the earth; and let the Redeemer be blessed, and let the nations be blessed in him. O Lord, do thou show us a token for good; do thou help and comfort us. Turn unto us, and have mercy upon us; give us strength, and save thy people. We beseech thee, O Lord, to defend us all this night; and let these, the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts, be acceptable

in thy holy sight, through Christ Jesus, the only Saviour, in whose name and words we sum up our prayers this night. Our Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, As it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, The power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

Monday Morning.

Scripture Reading—Isaiah lviii. 1–12.

O Lord, we approach thee who art the hearer of prayer, sincerely and with the whole heart desiring thy blessing, and asking of thee the ordinances of justice, and the blessings which thou hast promised to thine own. O Lord, give us grace to seek thee daily, and to delight to know thy ways, and to do righteousness, and not to forsake the ordinances of our God. Forbid that we should fast for strife or debate, or that we should suppose that the fast that thou choosest is to bow the head, and to spread sackcloth and ashes under us. Give us grace from on high to fast as thou appointest, by loosing the bands of wickedness, undoing the heavy burdens, and letting the oppressed go free. May we deal our bread to the hungry, and cover the naked, and satisfy the afflicted. May these be the fruits that prove to the world that we are thine, and may we by these things commend the gospel to the study and acceptance of all. O Lord, let our light arise in obscurity; make our darkness as the noon-day; guide us continually; satisfy our souls in drought; make us like a spring of water whose waters fail not. Help us, O Lord, to hallow thy sabbaths, and to turn away our feet from doing our pleasure, and may we call the sabbath a delight, the holy of the Lord, and honourable. May we read thy word, and study thy will, and

seek thy glory, especially on thy holy day. May we not do our own ways, nor find our own pleasure, nor speak our own words: but may we delight ourselves always in the Lord. Feed us, O Lord, with the heritage of thine own, make us to ride upon the high places of the earth. When we call, do thou answer us; when we cry, say thou, Here am I. Let our light break forth as the morning, and our health spring forth speedily. Let righteousness go before us, and let the glory of the Lord be our rereward. Hear our prayers, O heavenly Father, and keep us this day without sin: for all that we ask is in the name and through the merits of Jesus Christ, our Saviour and our Redeemer. Amen.

Monday Evening.

Scripture Reading — 1 Timothy vi.

O Lord, on this the first day of another working week we draw near to the footstool of thee, the hearer of prayer, and thank thee with one heart for all thy mercies and loving-kindness to us in times that are past. We bless thee for our preservation, and redemption, and all the blessings of this life, and for all the hopes of the life that is to come. May our hearts be unfeignedly thankful; may we in our walk and converse in the world express our gratitude to thee. Bow down thine ear, O Lord, and hear us, we beseech thee, and enable each in his vocation and place to walk worthy of our heavenly calling, that thy name and thy doctrine be not blasphemed. May all thy servants teach wholesome words, even the words of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the doctrine which is according to godliness. May thy ministering servants throughout the world, and thy people who believe in thy name, have grace to avoid all doting about questions and strifes of words, whereof cometh envy, strife, railings, evil surmisings. Gracious Father, grant us that true godliness with contentment which is great gain. Having brought nothing into this world, may we never

forget that we can carry nothing out. Having food and raiment, make us, heavenly Father, content. Deliver us from that haste to be rich, which leads into temptation and a snare. Save us from the love of money, which is the root of so many evils. Strengthen us to fight the good fight of faith, and to lay hold on eternal life. O Thou who art the blessed and the only Potentate, the King of kings, and Lord of lords, who only hast immortality, dwelling in light which no man can approach unto, unto thee we give honour and power everlasting. May we by thy grace be enabled to do good, to be rich in good works, ready to distribute, willing to communicate, laying up in store for ourselves a good foundation against the time to come, that we may lay hold on eternal life. Hear us, O Lord, and answer us, for Christ's sake. Grace be with us all. Amen.

Tuesday Morning.

Scripture Reading—Isaiah lix. 1–17.

O Lord our heavenly Father, thy hand is not shortened, thine ear is not heavy. We come to thee as we are, and we ask of thee grace and glory, and every mercy that we need. Pardon our sins, through Him who is the only intercessor, whose arm bringeth salvation, and whose righteousness sustains it. May we learn the way of peace, and walk in it. May our transgressions, which are multiplied before thee, be forgiven. May our sins, which testify against us, be blotted out in the blood of sprinkling. May our transgressions and iniquities be no more remembered against us. We thank thee for a Saviour, Christ the Lord. We thank thee for his glorious righteousness, and for his perfect sacrifice. We pray that he may soon come, according to his promise unto Zion, and unto them that turn from transgression in Jacob. May the nations fear the name of thee, the Lord, from the west, and thy glory from the rising of the sun. And in these latter days, while

the enemy comes in like a flood of scepticism, of superstition, and of ungodliness, O thou Spirit of the Lord, do thou lift up a standard against him. Be with us this day in all our ways. Guide us by thy counsel, prosper us with thy blessing. Feed us, above all, with living bread; keep our feet from falling; command thy blessing on our basket and on our store. And all we beg is for the Lord Jesus' sake. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all this day and evermore. Amen.

Tuesday Evening.

Scripture Reading.—2 Timothy i.

O Lord, whom have we in heaven but thee? and there is none upon earth we desire beside thee. We thank thee, whom we serve with pure conscience, that thou hast begotten us again to a living hope by the resurrection of Christ from the dead. We earnestly pray that our holiest and earliest recollections may never be effaced, and that true lessons learned in youth may last and live in after years. O Fountain of all goodness, thou who givest the Spirit unto them that ask thee, give us not the spirit of fear, but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind. Heavenly Father, may we never be ashamed of the testimony of our Lord. Save us, and call us with a holy calling, not according to our works, but according to thy purpose and grace, which was given us in Christ Jesus before the world began. Grant, O Lord, that we may never be ashamed of the cross or of the sufferings of Christ. May our sins be pardoned through his blood; may our souls be clothed in his righteousness; may we be justified for his sake, and be accepted before thee through him. O Lord, give us light from on high to know whom we have believed, and may thy Holy Spirit fully persuade us that Jesus is able to keep that which we have committed to him against that day. Give us grace to hold fast the form of sound words by the Holy Ghost which

dwelleth in us. Grant to us, O Lord, that we may find mercy of thee the Lord in that day. May we be ready to distribute, and ever willing to sympathize with all that suffer. Make us useful; bless us, keep us, strengthen us. We praise and bless thee for all the mercies of this day. Thou art the Fountain of all good, the Giver of every good and perfect gift. To thee we give praise, and thanksgiving, and glory, and honour. O continue thy mercies, and visit us not for our sins and unworthiness; and all we ask is for our Saviour's sake. Amen.

Wednesday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Isaiah lx. 1–15.

O thou Sun of righteousness, arise and shine with healing under thy wings. Let the darkness that covers the earth, and the gross darkness that covers the people, be scattered. May the Lord arise upon us, and let his glory be seen upon us. Hasten the day when thine ancient church, cast off for its unbelief, shall be converted and brought again to thee; and when the abundance of the sea and the forces of the Gentiles shall come also to thee, and praise and trust in thee. Hasten that day predicted in ancient prophecy, when all shall be righteous, and they that have been longest and most afflicted shall be most highly exalted and favoured of thee. We pray for thine ancient people the Jews. Turn their hearts, O Lord, we beseech thee; hasten their restoration, and grant that the day may soon come when the isles shall wait for thee, and the ships of Tarshish; and when the sons of strangers shall build the walls of thy church, and kings shall minister unto it, and all the nations and kingdoms of the earth shall serve thee. O Lord, hasten that true and lasting city that hath foundations, whose walls are salvation, and whose gates are praise, that cometh down from heaven as a bride prepared for the bridegroom. Look upon thy church universal, and hasten the day

when its sun shall no more go down, nor its moon withdraw itself, when the Lord shall be her everlasting light, and the days of her mourning shall be ended. May we believe all thy promises, which are yea and amen in Christ Jesus; may our hearts be cheered by them; may we pray daily for their fulfilment. Hasten thy coming and thy kingdom, O Lord. Take to thee thy mighty power. Thou Holy One of Israel, be thou our God and our guide even unto death. All we beg is for our Redeemer's name's sake. Amen.

Wednesday Evening.

Scripture Reading—2 Timothy ii.

O Lord, we ask thee, who art the hearer of prayer, to make us strong in the grace which is in Christ Jesus. May we never forget that we are thy soldiers; and as such, may we endure hardness. May we sow the seeds of truth now, that we may reap, and be partakers of the fruits, when the autumn comes. O Lord, may we be dead with Christ, that we may also live with him; may we rejoice to suffer with him, that we may also reign with him. May we never deny Him who pleads for us at at thy right hand. O Lord, look down upon all who profess the truth, and give us grace thankfully to receive thine own blessed testimony, that the Lord knoweth them that are his; and help us, and every one that nameth the name of Christ, to depart from iniquity. Give us grace to flee youthful lusts, and to follow after righteousness, faith, charity, peace, with them that call on the Lord out of a pure heart. Give us wisdom from on high to avoid foolish and unlearned questions. May we not strive, but be gentle unto all men, apt to teach, patient, in meekness instructing those who oppose themselves. Spread thy gospel. Support us always in our going out and in our coming in. We thank thee for this day's mercies. Be with us during the night. May the everlasting arms be around us. Perfect thy strength in our weakness, and bless us and all connected with us, for the Redeemer's sake. Amen.

Thursday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Isaiah lxi.

O Lord, we praise and bless thee that Jesus Christ thine anointed came into the world to seek and to save sinners. Blessed Redeemer, do thou fulfil thy mission in the midst of us. Bind up the brokenhearted, proclaim liberty to the captives, open the prison to them that are bound. Give unto them that mourn in Zion beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness. Make us trees of righteousness, the planting of the Lord, that thy blessed name may be glorified. Build the old wastes, and raise up the former desolations of thy church universal. Make us a royal priesthood, kings and priests unto the Lord. O thou who lovest judgment and hatest iniquity, direct our work in truth; make with us an everlasting covenant; let everlasting joy be upon us. May we be, and be acknowledged, the seed which the Lord hath blessed. Give us grace greatly to rejoice in thee the Lord. Clothe us with the garments of salvation, even the raiment white and clean, which is the righteousness of saints. Cover us with the robe of righteousness: adorn us with the ornaments of thy Spirit; and when thou makest up thy jewels, may we be among those whom thou sparest as a father spareth the son that serveth him. Hasten, O Lord, the blessed day when the earth shall bring forth her bud, and when thou wilt cause righteousness and praise to spring forth before all the nations of the earth. This day command thy blessing upon all we undertake, counsel us in difficulty, and support us in trial. Sweeten to us our afflictions; keep us from sin; help us to glorify thee in soul and body, which are thine; and when heart and flesh faint and fail, be thou our strength and portion for ever. We beg these mercies, and we offer these prayers, on Christ, the everlasting altar that sanctifieth all our offerings; to whom, with thee, and the ever-blessed Spirit, be eternal glory. Amen.

Thursday Evening.

Scripture Reading — 2 Timothy iii.

O Lord, maintain and sustain us more than conquerors in those perilous times that shall come in the last days. Deliver us, O Lord, by thy Holy Spirit from the influence and power of every corrupt and evil passion. May we not be lovers of ourselves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, or disobedient to parents, or unthankful, or unholy. Deliver us, O Lord, from all that is sinful in thy sight, or hurtful to those that are about us. May we not be false accusers, incontinent, fierce, or despisers of them that are good. Forbid, O Lord, that we should be traitors, heady, high-minded, or lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God. Have mercy upon all who have but a form of godliness, but deny the power thereof. Heavenly Father, do thou enable us in thy strength, and for the honour of thy name, and in order to maintain the truth, in our profession and practice of it, if it should be thy will, to encounter manfully persecutions and afflictions. May we have grace to continue in the things which we have learned and have been assured of, knowing of whom we have learned them. We thank thee for thy holy word in our own tongue, and that we may read it without incurring any penalty, or being chargeable in consequence with any crime. We thank thee that from a child we have known the Holy Scriptures, and that personally we have reason to know that they are able to make us wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus. We bless and adore thee that all Scripture is given by inspiration of God. O may it be to us deeply profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction in righteousness, that we may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works. Enable us by the light of thy truth, and by the leading of thy Holy Spirit, to read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest thy holy word. May we welcome its promises and precepts, and find it sweet to our taste and precious in our experience. Open our

eyes to see its beauty and glory. These and all other blessings we humbly ask in the name and through the merits of Jesus Christ our only Redeemer. Amen.

Friday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Isaiah lxii.

O Lord, hear us, we beseech thee, and bless us, and have mercy, not only upon us, but upon thy whole church. Let the righteousness of thy people go forth like brightness, and the salvation thereof like a lamp that burneth. Make thy church universal a crown of glory, and a royal diadem in thy hand. May neither Jew nor Gentile be any more forsaken, nor the land of either be any more desolate. O thou who hast set watchmen upon the walls of Jerusalem, may they have grace, and wisdom, and faithfulness from on high, not to hold their peace day or night, nor to keep silence, but ever to make mention of thee the Lord. Speedily establish and make Jerusalem a praise in all the earth. Hasten the fulness of the Gentiles, and the gathering home of thine ancient people. O Lord, may thy salvation be near us; may Christ come soon the second time without sin unto salvation, whose reward is with him, and whose work is before him. Lift up a standard for thy people; gather thine outcasts; hasten the glory of the latter day. Restore the earth that sin has desolated. Pardon our sins, we beseech thee; sanctify our hearts and nature by thy Holy Spirit. Adopt us in the number of thine own; make us like thee. Help us to walk with thee all the day long. Leave us not, nor forsake us. Prosper us as may be most expedient for us. May our hearts be set on thee; may our affections be where Christ is; and when thou shalt be pleased to call us hence, may it be to a crown of glory, an inheritance incorruptible and undefiled. Extend to all near and dear to

us, here or abroad, present or absent, the privileges and blessings that we enjoy. And all we ask is for thy dear Son, our Saviour's sake. Amen.

Friday Evening.

Scripture Reading—2 Timothy iv.

O thou who art the Lord God Omnipotent, in whom we live and move and have our being, we draw near to thee as to our Father, rejoicing that thou art the hearer and the answerer of prayer. We pray that at the appearing of the Lord Jesus Christ, who shall judge the quick and the dead, we may be numbered with his saints in glory everlasting. O Lord, look down, we beseech thee, upon all thy ministering servants throughout the world, and help them to preach the word in all its purity and truth, to be instant in season and out of season, to reprove, to rebuke, to exhort with all long-suffering and doctrine. And, O Lord, have mercy upon us the hearers. Forbid that we should not endure sound doctrine; deliver us from heaping up to ourselves teachers after our own lusts, and having itching ears. O Lord, pardon all our sins in all the relationships of life, in the church, and in the world, in the name and for the sake of Him in whom alone we trust for acceptance, and through whom alone we have access to thee our Father in Heaven. Lead us through all the perils, trials, difficulties, and sorrows of this present life; strengthen us, we beseech thee, in our going out and in our coming in; keep us from falling; and defend us from every evil. Enable us, we beseech thee, at the close of this life to say, We are ready to be offered, and the time of our departure is at hand. O Lord, now may we fight the good fight, and then may we finish our course. Now, O Lord, give us grace to keep the faith, and then to see laid up for us a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, shall give us at that day, and not to us only, but to all who love his appearing. Deliver us from

every evil work, preserve us to thy heavenly kingdom, pour into our hearts the consolations of thy Holy Spirit, guide us by thy counsel, and prosper us with thy blessing, through Him who ever liveth to make intercession for us. And may the Lord Jesus Christ be with our spirit; and may grace be with us all. May the peace of the Prince of peace keep our hearts and minds continually. Amen.

Saturday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Isaiah lxiii. 1–14.

O Thou who hast greatness of strength, who art glorious in holiness, who speakest in righteousness, who art mighty to save, Prince of the kings of the earth, King of kings, and Lord of lords, we look up to thee, O thou Mighty One of Jacob, and bless thee, that when there was none to help, and none to uphold, thine arm did bring salvation. We bless thee that thou didst open the kingdom of heaven to all believers. We bless thee that when thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death, thou didst rise again, and reignest a Prince and an Intercessor at the right hand of God. Heavenly Father, thou who didst so love the world, that thou gavest thine only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him might not perish, we will mention thy loving-kindness for ever and ever. We will set forth the praise of thee the Lord, according to all that thou hast bestowed upon us. Make us visibly thy people; be thou manifested as our Saviour. In all our afflictions sympathize with us; let the Angel of the everlasting covenant save us, and redeem us, in his love and his pity, and carry us, as in the days of old. In all our wanderings do thou guide us. Cause us to rest. Make to thyself by us and through us a glorious name. Look down from heaven, and behold thy people. Spare us, O Lord, and be not angry with us for ever. Forgive us our sins through the blood of sprinkling. Thou art our Father,

though Abraham be ignorant of us, and Israel acknowledge us not. Thou art our Father, our Redeemer, thy name is from everlasting. Consecrate us to thy service; make us like thee in character; help us to love thee, and to acknowledge thee in all our ways. Give us this day our daily bread; deliver us from all evil; lead us into no temptation; enrich us with every needed grace; and, finally, bring us into thine everlasting glory, through Christ the Saviour. Amen.

Saturday Evening.

Scripture Reading — Titus i.

Lord, we thy servants approach thee, the great King, and the only Potentate, who dwellest in light, whom no man hath seen, or can see; and we ask of thee blessings that we truly need, we deprecate judgments that we have most justly deserved, implore in richer abundance the faith of God's elect, and the acknowledging of the truth which is after godliness. O, do thou plant in our hearts the hope of eternal life, which thou, who canst not lie, hast promised before the world began. Let grace, and mercy, and peace, from God the Father, and the Lord Jesus Christ our Saviour, be upon us. Help us to adorn every place in which thy providence may place us, and to live soberly, and righteously, and godly in this present world. May we not be self-willed, nor soon angry, nor given to wine, nor given to filthy lucre. Make thy ministering servants, as thou desirest them to be, lovers of hospitality, lovers of good men, sober, just, holy, temperate. Give us grace to hold fast the faithful word as we have been taught, and to exemplify its power and its beauty in our walk, conduct, and converse in the world. Make us pure, that all things may be pure to us. Forbid that we should profess to know thee, while in works we deny thee. Keep us from falling. Watch over us, we beseech thee, at all times, and under all circumstances. Accept of our thanksgivings for all the mercies of the week

now closed; continue thy loving-kindness and thy tender mercies still. Give to thy word on the sabbath that will dawn to-morrow, free course, and let it be glorified. Be merciful to us and bless us, and cause thy face to shine upon us, that thy ways may be known upon earth, and thy saving health among all nations. Hear us, and help us, and bless us, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord, in whose name we sum up our petitions, saying, Our Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, As it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, The power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

FORTY-THIRD WEEK.

Sabbath Morning.

Scripture Readings — Psalm lxxxvii.; lxxxviii.

O Thou who lovest the gates of Zion more than all the dwellings of Jacob, we draw near to thy footstool at this the dawn of another day of the Son of man, to magnify thy name, to set forth thy most worthy praise, and to ask the blessings that we need alike for our souls and our bodies. We pray that thou wouldest be pleased to accept the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts this day. Cause thy blessing to descend upon us and upon all connected with us, and carry us into thy courts with praise, and into thy gates with thanksgiving. May glorious things soon be fulfilled respecting thy church, the city of God. May this man be born in the midst of thy church, and may that man be born also there; and may there be added to thy people daily such as shall be saved. O Lord God of our salvation, unto thee we

pray, and we beseech thee to hear our supplications, and let our prayer come before thee, and incline thine ear unto our cry. O Lord, whom have we in heaven but thee? and there is none upon earth we desire beside thee. This day feed us with living bread, refresh us from the fountain of living waters. Let thy loving-kindness be manifested before us, and thy faithfulness to thy people. O Lord, keep our feet this day while we go into thy house of prayer. Be with all thy ministering servants who shall make known the unsearchable riches of Christ Jesus. Give new impulse to thy cause, and let the whole earth speedily be filled with thy glory, and let the nations of the earth bless thee, and be blessed in thee. Do thou remove from thy church all error, and false doctrine, and heresy, and schism; and make known thy ways in the midst of it, and thy saving health among all its people. Help us all this day to search the Scriptures; pour thy light upon thy blessed word; may it have free course and be glorified in our hearts. Grant us richly of thy grace, and give us the nobility of them that search the Scriptures, and learn that Christ is the Saviour. These and all other needful blessings we ask in his name. Amen.

Sabbath Evening.

Scripture Reading — Psalm lxxxix. 1–18.

Lord, we will sing of thy mercies every day, and make known thy faithfulness every night. O thou who art the God of all the ends of the earth, and who hast made a covenant with thy chosen, let thy mercy be built up for ever, and let thy faithfulness be established in the heavens. Build up the throne of thy Son to all generations. O Lord, let the heavens praise thy wonders, and in the midst of thy sanctuary every where let the congregation of saints celebrate thy faithfulness. O thou who art great, and unto whom among the sons of men none can be likened, may we fear thee in the assembly of thy saint[illegible] hold thee in reverence in the midst of the congre-

gation. Thou rulest the raging of the sea, thou hast broken Rahab in pieces. The heavens are thine, the earth also is thine. O Lord, may this be our confidence, and may we go forth, looking to the heaven above, and to the earth beneath, and ever feeling, Our Father made them all. O thou, the habitation of whose throne is justice and judgment, who hast a mighty arm, and a strong hand, and a high right hand, let thy mercy lighten upon us, we beseech thee, and help us to see thy truth before thy face. Give us the blessedness of that people who know the joyful sound, whose sins are forgiven in Christ Jesus, and to whom no transgression is imputed. Help us as such to walk in the light of thy countenance, rejoicing in thee all the day long, and glorying in thy name, and exalted in thy righteousness. In thy favour let our horn be exalted; be the defence of thy people Israel, and of all thy people throughout the earth. We thank thee for all the mercies of the past day, for all its privileges, blessings, and bright hopes. May truths we have heard not be forgotten; may lessons we have learned be sweetened and sanctified to us. We desire to lie down under thine overshadowing wings. Do thou keep us, and bless us, and defend us, for Christ's sake. Amen.

Monday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Isaiah lxiv

Heavenly Father, do thou rend the heavens, and come down and command thy blessing upon us and upon ours this day. We thank thee for the rest of another night, and for the dawn of another morn, and for all the temporal and spiritual blessings which thou hast bestowed upon us from time to time. Above all, we praise and bless thee that thou hast laid up for us spiritual and everlasting mercies and joys, such as eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, nor heart conceived. O Lord, we have sinned against thee; all our righteousnesses are

as filthy rags. We ourselves are all as an unclean thing. We all do fade as a leaf. Our iniquities as the winds have taken us away. Nevertheless, O Lord, we come to thee. Thou art our Father. We are the clay; thou art the potter; we are all the work of thine hand. Meet us, we beseech thee, for Christ's sake; be not wroth with us, O Lord. Remember not our iniquities for ever. We are thy people purchased with the precious blood of a Lamb; save us for the sake of Him who died for us, and rose again for our justification. Give us thy Holy Spirit, that we may work righteousness, and rejoice in thee, and remember thee in thy ways, and turn to thee with our whole heart. Look upon the holy cities which are now a wilderness, and upon Jerusalem which is now a desolation. Hasten the restoration of the once holy and beautiful house, and may the children praise thee where the fathers crucified the Lord of glory; and may the children of Abraham according to the flesh speedily become thy children in spirit and in truth, by the regeneration of thy Holy Spirit. This day, O Lord, do thou keep us; may we walk as those who are pilgrims and strangers, looking for a city that hath foundations, whose builder and maker is God. Hear us, O Lord, for the sake of our Redeemer; and unto him who is able to stablish us according to his gospel, and the preaching of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery, which was kept secret since the world began, but now is made manifest, and by the Scriptures of the prophets, according to the commandment of the everlasting God, made known to all nations for the obedience of faith; to God only wise, be glory through Jesus Christ for ever. Amen.

Monday Evening.

Scripture Reading — Titus ii.

O Lord, we come to thee as children to their Father, begging of thee to bless us. We pray that thy gospel may be more and more adorned in every sphere by the steadfastness

and consistency of them who profess it. We pray that all the ministers of thy church every where may speak the things which become sound doctrine. Let the aged men in the midst of us be sober, grave, temperate, sound in faith, in charity, in patience. May the aged women in the midst of us be in behaviour as becometh holiness, not false accusers, not given to much wine, teachers of good things. May the young women be taught to be sober, to love their husbands, to love their children, to be discreet, chaste, keepers at home, good, obedient to their own husbands, that the word of God may be honoured. May young men in the midst of us be sober-minded; and may we all show ourselves, by thy grace, and under the influence of thy Holy Spirit, patterns of good works: in doctrine showing uncorruptness, gravity, sincerity, sound speech, that cannot be condemned. May servants be obedient to their own masters, pleasing them in all things; not answering again; not purloining, but showing all good fidelity; that as servants they may adorn the doctrine of God, our and their Saviour in all things. May that grace which hath appeared unto all men, but especially unto us, teach us to deny ungodliness and worldly lusts, and to live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world. May we ever look for that blessed hope, the glorious appearing of Jesus Christ, our great God and Saviour. We praise thee that he gave himself for us, and we pray that we, the objects of his love, and the subjects of his salvation, may be redeemed from all iniquity, and purified unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works. May we look for the coming of Christ in joyful expectancy and hope. May our loins be girt and our lamps burning. Hear these our prayers, and do us all the good that we need, to the glory of thy name, through Jesus Christ our Saviour. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost, one God, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Tuesday Morning.

Scripture Reading—Isaiah lxv. 1–14.

Lord, we thank and praise thee that thou hast found us when we did not seek for thee, and saved us when we did not call upon thy name. We grieve to say that thou hast nourished and brought up children, but they have become a rebellious people. We have walked in a way that was not good, after our own thoughts. We have provoked thee to anger. Our iniquities, and the iniquities of our fathers, testify against us. We deserve to be destroyed, and to be cut off from thy presence for ever. But with thee, O Lord, there is forgiveness, that thou mayest be feared, and with our God there is plenteous redemption. May we therefore bless ourselves in the God of truth; may we be made glad and rejoice for ever in that which thou createst; may we be fellow-citizens with the saints of that Jerusalem which thou makest a rejoicing, and whose people thou makest a joy. Grant that we may enter into that city which hath foundations, where there is no death, nor sorrow, nor curse, nor crying. May we be new creatures; may we show that we are the children of Christ by walking in his commandments and ordinances blameless all the day long. This day, O Lord, be thou our shield to protect us, our sun to enlighten us, a voice upon our right hand and upon our left, saying, This is the way: walk ye in it. O Lord, grant that whether we wake or sleep, we may live together with Christ. Build us on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ being the chief corner-stone. Let thy Holy Spirit dwell within us continually, and sanctify us wholly, and fit us for thy kingdom and glory. And all we ask is for the Redeemer's sake. Amen.

Tuesday Evening.

Scripture Reading — Titus iii.

O Lord, we thank thee that we have been translated from darkness unto thy marvellous light. We thank thee that the kindness and love of God our Saviour toward man has appeared unto us, and that according to his mercy he has saved us, not by works of righteousness which we have done, but by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost. O Lord, may we be justified through faith in Christ Jesus, that faith which is the gift of thee, the Lord; and by thy grace may we be made heirs according to the hope of eternal life. O Lord, we humbly beseech thee to renew our hearts day by day; make us like thee. In the world may we not be of the world. Give us grace to be subject to our national rulers, to obey our magistrates, to be ready to every good work, to speak evil of no man, to be no brawlers, but gentle, showing all meekness to all men. Have mercy upon all those who are foolish, disobedient, deceived, serving divers lusts and pleasures, living in malice and envy, hateful, and hating one another. Turn their hearts, give them thy Holy Spirit, bring them to a better and a wiser mind, lead them in the way everlasting, deliver them from themselves, and by thy grace make them partakers of the same blessings and privileges which we have so undeservedly received at thy hand. We desire to bless thee who hast made us to differ. We owe our privileges and mercies to thee alone, and to thee we render praise, and thanksgiving, and glory. Blessed Lord, help us to trust and rejoice in thee. Our Father who art in heaven, and reignest over all, hallowed in every heart and tongue be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in us, and by us, and with us on earth, as it is done by angels and saints in glory. Feed us day by day with food convenient for us. Forgive us all our sins through the blood of Christ Jesus, and grant to each of us a forgiving spirit. Deliver us from the curse and power of

sin. Lead us into no temptation. These, and every blessing that we need for this night, and for all the days and nights of our existence upon earth, we ask in the name and through the mediation of Jesus Christ our Redeemer. Amen.

Now unto Him who is able to keep us from falling, and to present us faultless before his presence in glory, be all honour and praise. Amen.

Wednesday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Isaiah lxvi. 5–21.

O Lord, whose throne is the heavens, and whose footstool is the earth, we desire to worship thee who art a Spirit in spirit and in truth; for such thou seekest to worship thee. O Lord, we confess that we have too often chosen our own ways, and our souls have too often delighted in that which is evil. Pardon our sins, we earnestly beseech thee, O Lord, and sanctify our hearts and natures by thy Holy Spirit; and beget us again to a living hope through the resurrection of Christ from the dead. O Lord, make us true members of thy true church, a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a peculiar people. May we be priests and Levites for thy service. Hasten the day when thy church shall break forth upon the right and upon the left, and Jew and Gentile shall rejoice together in Christ Jesus. May thy Holy Spirit dwell in us; may we abound in hope; may we bring forth all the fruits of love, and joy, and peace, and long-suffering, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance, to the glory of thy name. Make us living epistles, written by the Holy Ghost, seen and read of all men. May we serve thee with thankful hearts; may we take good heed to ourselves; may we do justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with thee, that thy name, O Lord, may be glorified always in all things. Give us this day daily bread, and satisfy our souls with goodness. All we beg is in the Redeemer's name. Amen.

Wednesday Evening.

Scripture Reading — Philemon.

O Lord, we thank thee for the freedom wherewith thou makest thy people free. Give us, we beseech thee, the assurance that we are thy children; and, if children, heirs,—heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ. May grace and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with us and all our fellow-soldiers in the service of the same blessed Master. May we delight to make mention in our prayers of all who are near and dear to us, and do thou hear us, and bless them. We pray that our joy may be increased more and more, and that others may be refreshed by the blessings which we are prompted by thy Holy Spirit to make known. We pray that thou wouldest be pleased to diffuse over all society a spirit of love, and friendship, and brotherhood, and good will. Break the bonds of the slave: restore to freedom those who are deprived of it. Make us truly thankful for our mercies; help us still more earnestly to pray for all who are in bonds and in captivity, and are denied those great and precious rights and blessings which we so abundantly enjoy. May we weep with them that weep, and rejoice with them that rejoice. Give us grace to use the world as not abusing it, knowing that the fashion of it passeth away. Deliver us from the wicked one; create in us clean hearts; renew right spirits within us. Take not thy Holy Spirit away from us. Let thy mercy be upon us, O Lord, as we put our trust in thee. Never leave us, we beseech thee; never forsake us. In that day when our hearts and flesh shall faint and fail, be thou the strength of our hearts and portion for ever. Hold us by thy right hand. Guide us by thy heavenly counsel. Conduct us safely to thy glory. Bless us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places. All that we ask is in the name and through the merits of Jesus

Christ, unto whom, with thee, and the ever-blessed Spirit, one God, we ascribe the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Thursday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Jeremiah i.

O Lord, touch our hearts as with a live coal from the altar, even with thy Holy Spirit, and the influence of thy grace, that we may feel our wants, and ask in faith those things that are requisite and necessary for us. Sanctify us, O Lord, by thy Holy Spirit, and ordain us to be lights of the world, to be the salt of the earth, and to be blessings to all who are within the reach of our influence. Provide for us this day our daily bread; continue our health and strength; help us to see thy hand and own thy presence in all things. Keep our feet from falling, our eyes from tears, and our souls from death. This day perfect thy strength in our weakness; make thy grace, O Lord, sufficient for us; in all our ways may we acknowledge thee, and do thou direct our steps. Let the pillar of cloud by day, and the pillar of fire by night, be constantly with us. Make us useful, keep us holy; may thy Spirit dwell in us. Save us from all that is evil; strengthen us for obedience to all that is pure, and just, and good. Quicken them who are dead in trespasses and in sins. Spread the blessings that we enjoy to the uttermost ends of the earth. May our government be established in righteousness. Teach our senators wisdom. Pour out thy Holy Spirit on all the land, and make its waste places to rejoice. And let grace, and mercy, and peace, from God the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, be with us all this day and evermore, through Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.

Thursday Evening.

Scripture Reading — Hebrews i.

O God, who, at sundry times and in divers manners, hast spoken in time past unto the fathers by the prophets, we thank and praise thee with all our hearts that in these last days thou hast spoken unto us by thy Son, the brightness of thy glory, and the express image of thy person. We thank thee that thou didst so love us, that thou gavest Him who upholds all things by the word of his power, by whom the worlds were made, and without whom nothing was made that was made, to make an atonement for our sins, to purge them away, and to sit down at the right hand of thy majesty, ever living to intercede for us, a Prince and an Intercessor to give repentance and remission of sins. Blessed Redeemer, thou art the Prince of the kings of the earth. Thy throne, O God, is for ever and ever; a sceptre of righteousness is the sceptre of thy kingdom. Blessed Redeemer, thou in the beginning hast laid the foundation of the earth; and the heavens are the works of thine hands. Thou art anointed with the oil of gladness above thy fellows. The glorious company of the apostles praise thee; the goodly fellowship of the prophets praise thee; the noble army of martyrs praise thee. Make us to be numbered with thy saints in glory everlasting. O thou who art the same yesterday, to-day, and for ever, forget and forsake us not, but be our advocate, and our intercessor, and our portion, and our exceeding great reward, when the things that now are shall be changed. O heavenly Father, may the enemies of Christ soon become his footstool. May angels minister to us according to his bidding. O Lord, graciously keep us from all evil, help us to hallow thy name, and to do thy will, and to seek first thy kingdom and thy righteousness, that all other things may be added unto us. And when thou hast answered the wise purposes of thy providence with us here upon

earth, receive us to thy right hand, where there are joys and pleasures for evermore, through Jesus Christ our Lord, our only Mediator and Redeemer. Amen.

Friday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Jeremiah ii.

Make us, O Father, we beseech thee, holiness to thee, the Lord; may we be satisfied with thee as the Fountain of living waters, and never seek out broken cisterns that can hold no water. O Lord, we confess that we have often committed these two great evils: we pray that they may be forgiven. Give us grace to seek thy face evermore. Let not our wickedness correct, nor our backslidings reprove us. We know it is an evil and a bitter thing to forsake thee; grant us true repentance; put thy fear in our hearts; defend us against all evil; deliver us from the wicked one; strengthen us for every duty, and prepare us for every trial. O God, the only giver of every good gift, in the name of Jesus Christ we most humbly and heartily implore thy blessing upon our household, our relations, our friends, our benefactors. Forgive our enemies; give us grace to forgive them. Turn us away from every path that is evil, from every pleasure that is impure. Help us to yield thee continual thanks through thine only Son for thy great goodness to us and to all men, and never to forget that thou hast first loved us, that we might love thee, and set forth thy praise and glory by our life and in our death. Mercifully hear these our prayers, O Lord. Keep us this day without sin; incline our hearts unto thy law; make us thankful for all the privileges and blessings of thy glorious gospel. And all that we ask is for the Redeemer's sake. Amen.

Friday Evening.

Scripture Reading — Hebrews ii.

O Lord our heavenly Father, give us grace to give earnest heed to the blessed truths that we have heard; let them not at any time slip from our minds. Help us to feel the responsibility of hearing the word spoken by the Son of God. May we never forget, How shall we escape, if we neglect so great salvation? Lord, when we see the heavens which thou hast made, and the moon and the stars which are the works of thy fingers, what is man that thou art mindful of him? Blessed Lord, hasten that day when all things shall be put in subjection under the feet of Christ; when He who is now crowned with glory and honour at thy right hand, shall come forth from the holy place, and make all things new. We thank thee that he suffered for our sins, and rose again for our justification. We thank thee that he partook of flesh and blood, that through death he might destroy him who had the power of death. We praise thee, O Lord, that in bringing many sons to glory, the Captain of our salvation was made perfect through suffering. We thank and bless thee that we have a merciful and faithful High Priest, who is able to make reconciliation for the sins of the people, being in all things tempted, and able therefore to succour them that are tempted. We thank thee for such a Saviour; we bless thee for the record that reveals him; we pray that our faith and confidence in him may be complete. May we not be ashamed of him or his cross, but may we boldly confess him. Comfort us in all our afflictions, and sanctify them to our eternal good. Give us grace to take up the cross and follow Jesus. As we suffer with him, may we also reign with him. Keep us during the watches of the night under the shadow of thy wings. Strengthen us, and stablish us, and give us thy Holy Spirit, and make us lights and witnesses in the world for His sake, and to his glory, to whom be all honour and praise, world without end. Amen.

Saturday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Jeremiah ii. 20–35.

O Lord our God and Father, our Creator and Preserver, we confess that thou didst make us holy, and pure, and good, at the first. Thou didst plant us a noble vine; but, alas, O Lord, by our own fault we are turned into the degenerate plant of a strange vine. We confess, what we feel, that we are fallen. O Lord, we have sinned and done wickedly, and have gone astray from thee like lost sheep, and have followed the devices and desires of our own fallen and corrupt hearts. We have nothing that we can plead in our own behalf; we have all transgressed against thee; we have lived, and felt, and thought as if thou hadst been to us a wilderness and a land of darkness. Gracious Lord, for Christ's sake forgive us all these our sins. Thou art faithful and just to forgive them who confess their sins. Behold the blood of the everlasting covenant; hear the voice of that blood that speaketh better things than Abel's. Justify us freely through his righteousness; renew our hearts by his Holy Spirit. Accept of our thanksgivings and praises for all the nights of the week that is now closing. Make us thankful to thee for health and strength and daily bread, and above all for spiritual and eternal blessings made known to us in Christ the Saviour. Be thou still our Shield and our Sun. This day keep us and be with us; and let grace, and mercy, and peace be upon us, and upon all the Israel of God, from this time henceforth even for ever. The peace of God that passeth understanding keep our hearts and minds continually, through Jesus Christ. And unto Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, be equal and eternal glory. Amen.

Saturday Evening.

Scripture Reading—Hebrews iii.

Blessed Lord, to whom can we come but unto thee? Thou hast the words of eternal life. Enter not into judgment with us, O Lord; for in thy sight no man living can be justified. Give us light and grace from on high to consider the Apostle and High Priest of our profession, Christ Jesus. May we trust in his sacrifice; may we rejoice in his perfect offering; may we ever look up to him as our only intercessor at thy right hand, and hold fast our confidence and rejoicing of hope firm unto the end. To-day may we hear his voice; may none put off till to-morrow responsibilities and duties that rest upon them to-day. Forbid, O Lord, that we should harden our hearts as in the provocation. Be not grieved with our past transgressions, O Lord, but in mercy forgive us through the blood of sprinkling. O Lord, may thy Holy Spirit guard us against an evil heart of unbelief, in departing from the living God. Forbid that any of us should be hardened through the deceitfulness of sin; but being made partakers of Christ, may we hold the beginning of our confidence steadfast unto the end. Perfect thy strength in our weakness. May thy word be a lamp to our feet, and a light to our path. May thy Holy Spirit teach the inner man what we read with the outer eye. Be with us in all the days and weeks that are to come. We thank thee for the mercies and privileges of the week that is now closed. Hear us and answer us, for the sake of Him whom thou hearest always, even Jesus Christ our Prince and our Redeemer, our all and in all. Our Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, As it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, The power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

And may the peace of God that passeth all understanding keep our hearts and minds continually, through Jesus Christ. And may the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst us, and abide with us always. Amen.

FORTY-FOURTH WEEK.

Sabbath Morning.

Scripture Reading — Psalm lxxxix. 19–47.

Lord, help us to trust in the Root and the Offspring of David, on whom thou hast laid help, whom thou hast exalted out of the people. O Lord, let thy faithfulness and thy mercy be with us. In his name may we be exalted. For his sake may we be justified, acquitted, and forgiven. O Lord, we beseech thee to look upon thy people ransomed with the precious blood of the Lamb that was slain. Take not away thy loving-kindness; visit not our transgressions, we beseech thee. Spare us, good Lord, for his sake: let him endure for ever; let his name be exalted above every name; let the gathering of the people be to him. Remember, O Lord, thy former loving-kindnesses; remember the reproach of thy servants; forgive their transgressions; sanctify us through thy truth. This day be with thy ministering servants in the sanctuary; stand by them, strengthen them, and give them a word in season. Pour thy light upon all that wander in darkness, and upon all that dwell in the land of the shadow of death. Guide their feet into the way of peace. Let increasing numbers hear the glad sound; let the Sun of righteousness arise and shine with healing under his wings. This day may many be convinced and converted, and a people more and more prepared for the coming of the Lord. We thank thee for continued sabbaths; we pray that they may be to us messengers of good things. We thank thee for the Saviour who rose from the dead on the

first day of the week, and who ever liveth to make intercession for us. Cleanse us from all our secret faults; deliver us from all presumptuous sins. Make us deeply, truly, and continually thankful to thee. Pour thy blessing upon us, and be with us, and carry us into thy house of prayer, and there command thy blessing on us, for the Redeemer's sake. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with us all this day. Amen.

Sabbath Evening.

Scripture Reading — Psalm xc.

O Lord, thou hast been our dwelling-place in all generations. Thou art our strong refuge, and unto thee we would continually come. Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever thou hadst formed the earth and the world, even from everlasting to everlasting thou art God. Teach us, O Lord, to know our end, and the measure of our days, that we may see how frail we are. A thousand years in thy sight are but as yesterday when it is passed, and a watch in the night. O Lord, set not our iniquities before thee, nor our secret sins in the light of thy countenance, but in thy great mercy forgive them all, through the atoning and meritorious sacrifice of Him who died for us, that we might live. O Lord, do thou graciously return to us, and teach us so to number our days that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom. Satisfy us early in thy sanctuary, and in thy house of prayer, with thy mercy. Enable us to rejoice all the days and nights of our pilgrimage upon earth. Give us thy Holy Spirit, that he may dwell in us for ever. Make us glad, we beseech thee, according to the days wherein thou hast afflicted us. Let thy work in our hearts, and in our household, and in thy church universal, and over all the earth, appear unto thy servants, and let thy glory shine upon their children, and let the beauty of the Lord our God be upon us. Establish thou the work of our hands upon us. Let the words of our mouths and the meditations of our

hearts be acceptable in thy sight, O God, our strength and our Redeemer. Accept of our thanksgivings for all the mercies and blessings of this holy day that has now passed away. May its impressions be lasting, may its lessons never be forgotten. Hear these our prayers, O Lord, and do us all the good that we need, for Jesus' name's sake. The grace of our Lord Jesus be with us all. Amen.

Monday Morning.

SCRIPTURE READING—Jeremiah iii. 12–25.

O LORD, we desire to enter upon the business and the duties of the week-days that are before us, trusting in thee, the Lord, strong in thy strength, and humbly beseeching, as we now heartily do, thy most gracious blessing. O Lord, pour down thy Holy Spirit upon us, we entreat thee. Cause us to return unto thee against whom we have sinned. Thou art merciful, O Lord: keep not thine anger for ever. We acknowledge our iniquities; we confess that we have transgressed against the Lord our God, and have not obeyed the voice of the Lord; but we turn unto thee as to our Father. We are thy children, thy backsliding children. Graciously receive us, and lay not our sins to our charge, for Christ's sake, we beseech thee. Give unto thy church pastors according to thy heart; help them to feed thy people with knowledge and with understanding. Hasten the day when Jerusalem shall be the throne of the Lord, when all the nations shall be gathered unto it, to the name of the Lord. May we not look for salvation from the hills, nor from the multitude of mountains, nor from any earthly, national, political, or carnal source. May we trust only in thee the Lord. May we lean upon Christ crucified; may our sins be blotted out through his precious blood; may our hearts be renewed by his Holy Spirit; may we be made like him: finally, may we reign with him; and when heart and

flesh shall faint and fail, be thou the strength of our heart, and our portion for ever. Hear these our petitions, O Lord, we beseech thee. Bow down thine ear, and listen. Stretch out thine hand, and bless us. For all we ask is in the name of Him who loved us, and gave himself for us: unto whom, with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, we ascribe eternal glory, honour, and thanksgiving. Amen.

Monday Evening.

Scripture Reading — Hebrews iv.

O Lord, we bless and praise thee that we have a great High Priest, who has passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, who ever liveth to make intercession for us. In his name, and because we have an High Priest who can be touched with the feeling of our infirmities, and was in all points tempted like as we are, we come boldly to the throne of grace, and we ask for thy mercy to forgive us all our sins, and grace to sanctify and strengthen us for all our trials and duties. Blessed Lord, we humbly beseech thee to sanctify us through thy truth: thy word is truth. May thy holy word in its promises, precepts, doctrines, and truths, sink deep into our hearts. May it prove in our experience quick and powerful, and be a discerner of the thoughts and intentions of the heart. O Lord, we thank thee that unto us the gospel has been preached. We pray that, being mixed with faith in us who hear it, it may be a savour of life unto life. O Lord, grant, we beseech thee, that we may find in Christ peace on earth, and through him an abundant entrance into that heavenly rest that remaineth for the people of God. Forbid, O Lord, that our hearts should be hardened through unbelief, but do thou strengthen and enable us to-day to hear thy voice, and to accept the offers of thy gospel, and to walk before thee as thy people, living epistles seen and read of all men, through Jesus Christ our Saviour. Bless us with all spiritual and heavenly blessings

in Christ Jesus, and when heart and flesh shall faint and fail, may we receive an abundant entrance into thy kingdom, through the great High Priest, who intercedeth for us at thy right hand, unto whom, with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, be all honour and glory, world without end. Amen.

Tuesday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Jeremiah iv. 1–17.

We return unto thee, O Lord. We sinners beseech thee to hear us. Against thee have we sinned; we have erred and strayed from thee, but do thou graciously receive us. For thine own name's sake, and through Jesus Christ, be merciful to us, and bless us, and cause thy face to shine upon us. Spare us, O Lord, we beseech thee. Look in mercy and love on thy people: for we are thine. May our hearts be washed from wickedness by thy Holy Spirit; may vain thoughts no longer lodge within us. May our ways and our doings be purified, and made as thou wouldest have them to be. May we be no longer a foolish people, nor live at a distance from thee; but may thy word be the lamp to our feet, and the light to our path; may thy law be our delight; may we glory in Christ and in his cross; and may the world take notice of us, that we have been with him, by seeing his likeness in our lives. Let these our prayers come before thee. Accept of our heart-felt praises for the mercies and protection and preservation of another night. Continue thy loving-kindness this day; be our shield and our sun; give us grace and glory; withhold from us no good thing; feed us with daily bread and living bread. And all we ask is for the Redeemer's sake. Amen.

Our Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, As it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us

our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, The power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

Tuesday Evening.

Scripture Reading — Hebrews v.

Lord, to whom can we come but unto thee? Thou hast the words of eternal life. Make us, O God, not only really, but in our happy experience, a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a peculiar people. We thank thee that we have a great High Priest, who can have compassion on the ignorant, and on them that are out of the way. We thank thee that thy Son is a High Priest for ever after the order of Melchisedec. May we be washed in his atoning blood, may we be justified by his glorious righteousness. May he be to us our Priest to atone for us, and our King to subdue us to himself. May he be to us King of righteousness, that we may stand before thee perfect and complete in him. May he be to us also King of peace, creating in our hearts the peace that passeth all understanding. May we, like him, be in the world, and yet not of the world; and may he who learned obedience by the things that he suffered, and was made perfect through suffering, be to us, and to all connected with us, even to all who obey him, the author of eternal salvation. May we grow in the knowledge of thee, our Father and our God; may we be no longer babes, but strong men. Guide us by thy heavenly counsel, inspire us with thy Holy Spirit, and let thy mercy be upon us, even as we put our trust in thee. Bless us in our basket and in our store. Forgive us all the sins and offences of this day, and let us be presented faultless before thy presence in glory with exceeding joy. Bless all near and dear to us here or elsewhere. Make ours thine. Enter the names of all we love in the number of thy saints. Bless us in our souls and

in our bodies. The Lord bless us and keep us. The Lord lift up his countenance upon us, and be gracious to us. The Lord lift up the light of his countenance upon us, and give us peace, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Wednesday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Jeremiah v. 1–18.

O Lord, we confess before heaven and in thy sight that we have not executed judgment, nor sought after the truth as we ought to have done. We confess, O Lord, that we have often made our faces harder than the rock, and refused to return unto thee. We confess that we have been foolish and vain, and departed from the way of the Lord, and from the judgment of our God. We have often broken thy yoke, and burst thy bonds, and refused to know thy way. O Lord, we believe nevertheless that thou delightest to pardon, and that in Christ thou mayest be just whilst thou justifiest the chiefest of sinners that trust in him. In his name forgive us; through his precious sacrifice lay not our transgressions to our charge. Give us thy Holy Spirit. According to thy promise, may thy Holy Spirit come into our hearts, and dwell within us, and regenerate our nature, and renew us in thy image, and erect within us that kingdom which is righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost. Mercifully hear our petitions, O Lord; and when thou hearest, graciously forgive. Be with us this day; keep us from all evil, from covetousness, from vain-glory, from strife, from all that is of the earth earthly. May our hearts and our treasure be in heaven, and our hopes continually there, through Christ the Saviour. Our Father, &c. Amen.

Wednesday Evening.

Scripture Reading — Hebrews vi.

O Lord, may we go on from strength to strength, as thy servants of old passing through the valley of Baca, until we appear before thee in Zion. May we have in our hearts the elements of the Christian faith, and not lay again the foundation of repentance from dead works. Grant, we beseech thee, that we may be truly and finally enlightened. May we savingly taste of the heavenly gift; may we indeed be made partakers of the Holy Ghost. May we taste the good word of God, and feel the influence of the powers of the world to come, and so, by thy Holy Spirit strengthening and upholding us, may we never fall away, nor crucify the Son of God afresh, and put him to an open shame. O Lord, grant that we may show the same diligence to the full assurance of hope unto the end. May we not be slothful, but followers of them who through faith and patience inherit the promises. Blessing, do thou bless; multiplying, do thou multiply us. May we patiently endure; may we finally obtain the fulfilment of the promises. O Lord, we thank thee for the glorious refuge set before us in the everlasting gospel. May we run to that city of refuge, and find within its walls a shelter from the curse of a broken law, and acceptance before thee, the God of our salvation. O Lord, provide for us daily bread; feed us, above all, with the living bread that cometh down from heaven. Bestow upon us grace and glory; withhold from us no good thing. Hear our prayers, we beseech thee, in heaven thy dwelling-place, and when thou hearest, graciously forgive, through Christ the Saviour. Amen.

Thursday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Jeremiah v. 19–31.

O Lord our Father in heaven, we confess that we have often forsaken thee, and served strange gods, and delighted in the company of strangers, and said in our heart, Who is the Lord, that we should obey him? We confess, O Lord, that we have not trembled at thy presence as we ought to have done, nor have we feared thee, the Lord, who givest the former and the latter rain in his season, as we ought to have done. We confess that our iniquities have separated us from thee, and our sins have provoked thee to withhold from us the mercies that we need. We have lived amongst wicked men; we have received mercies, and been unthankful; we have taken the gift, and forgotten and forsaken thee the Giver. O Lord, visit us not for these things. Spare us for the sake of the Redeemer; in his name justify us; for his sake forgive us. Remember not against us our sins, nor the sins of our forefathers, nor take thou vengeance on our transgressions, but spare us, O Lord. Let thy Holy Spirit work in us abiding convictions of our true state, and incline our hearts to look all the day long to Him who is the propitiation for our sins. May we turn from every error; may we abstain from every evil indulgence; may we be delivered from the deceitfulness of riches, from the snares of the world, and from all fleshly wisdom. Humble us before thy footstool; help our unbelief; cleanse our hearts; renew within us a right spirit; teach us to do thy will. May thy goodness lead us to repentance. Help us in sickness and in sorrow, in health and in prosperity, in all time of our tribulation, in all time of our wealth, to look to Christ Jesus our only Saviour, and to raise our hearts unto thee as the Father and fountain of mercies. And all that we ask for this day, and for all the days of our pilgrimage upon earth, is in the name and through the mediation of Jesus Christ, our Prince and our

Redeemer. Now unto Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, one God, be equal and eternal glory. Grace, mercy, and peace be with us all this day and evermore. Amen.

Thursday Evening.

Scripture Reading — Hebrews vii.

O Lord, we draw near to thee who art the hearer of prayer, and bless and praise thee as the God and Father of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. We thank thee for Him who is the true King of righteousness, and the true King of peace. May he be to us King of righteousness, and King of peace. May he bless us, and cause the light of his face to shine upon us, and intercede and plead for us, our Prince and our Saviour, at thy right hand. We thank thee that thou hast set forth thy Son to be a propitiation through faith in his blood, not only for our sins, but for the sins of all that believe. O Lord, we come to thee in his name. We believe that thou art our Father as revealed in him; and we therefore pray that he may save us, even to the very uttermost, by the efficacy of his perfect sacrifice, and through the imputation of his finished righteousness, and by his ever living to make intercession for us. May we cordially embrace him as our High Priest, holy, harmless, undefiled, and separate from sinners. We rejoice to know that he needeth not daily to offer up sacrifices, but that he did this once and for ever, when he offered up himself. On that sacrifice we lean; for his sake we look for eternal joy. Increase our faith, grant us genuine repentance, change our hearts, give us thy Holy Spirit, bless us with all the blessings of the footstool and the throne; for all we ask is for our great High Priest's sake. Amen.

Friday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Jeremiah vi. 1–16.

O Lord, we come to thee as children to a father, conscious of our sins, but never forgetting that thou art the Lord, the Lord God, merciful and gracious. O Lord, may we find thee in all our time of need, our portion and our peace, our strong tower and our refuge. We earnestly beseech thee, O Lord, to look upon us in thy great compassion, and to forgive us the sins which we have forgotten, but which thou knowest, in the name and through the mediation of Him who died for us according to thy word, and rose again for our justification. Pour down upon us thy Holy Spirit as the spirit of wisdom, and understanding, and grace, and supplication, and prayer. Let the peace that passeth understanding keep our hearts and minds continually, through Jesus Christ. Let thy Holy Spirit dwell in us, and sanctify us, and create in us clean hearts, and renew right spirits within us. May we be kept this day from all evil; may we be guided to the love and pursuit of all that is good. Teach us, O Lord, we beseech thee, to use this world as not abusing it, and to set our affections not upon things that are beneath, but upon things that are above. May we honour thy word, and fear thy name, and serve thee with all our heart. Enable us, as not our own, but bought with a price, to hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering. Instruct and strengthen us by thy Holy Spirit. Bless all our rulers in church and state; let the day-spring from on high shine upon them that are in darkness and in the shadow of death. Bless all our friends and relatives. Make our friends thy friends; forgive our enemies. Bless us with all needed temporal and spiritual blessings and mercies, through Jesus Christ; to whom, with thee, and the ever blessed Spirit, be all honour and glory, world without end. Amen.

Friday Evening.

Scripture Reading — Hebrews viii.

O Lord, we thank and bless thee, and with all our heart and strength we would magnify thy holy name, that we have a High Priest, who is set on the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in the heavens. May we ever regard him as a minister of the sanctuary, and of the true tabernacle, which the Lord pitched, and not man. We thank and praise thee that thou didst so love us, that thou gavest him to die for our sins. We thank thee that he is the Mediator of a better covenant, established upon better promises. We thank thee for thy promise to make us thine by the influence of thine Almighty grace. O Lord, graciously put thy laws into our minds, and make us clearly understand them, and write them by thy Holy Spirit on our hearts, that we may truly and deeply feel them. Be thou to us as a God, and our God, and make us to thyself a people to reflect thy likeness, and to be fitted for thy presence. Be merciful, O Lord, to our unrighteousness, through the atoning sacrifice of the great High Priest, who at thy right hand ever intercedeth for us. Hasten that blessed day, when they shall no more teach every man his neighbour, saying, Know the Lord, but when all shall know thee from the least even to the greatest. Be with us, we beseech thee, in all our ways; we acknowledge thee in our lying down, and our rising up. This night spread over us thine overshadowing wings. Give us thy peace, we beseech thee. The Lord bless us and keep us. The Lord lift up his countenance upon us, and be gracious to us. The Lord lift up the light of his countenance upon us, and give us present and eternal peace. Defend, deliver, and bless us; for all we beg, for this life and for that which is to come, is in the name and through the merits of Jesus Christ, our Prince and our Redeemer. Amen.

Saturday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Jeremiah vi. 18–30.

Lord, to whom can we come but unto thee? Thou hast the words of eternal life. If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us; but if we confess our sins, we rejoice to be assured that thou art faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all our iniquity. O Lord, if thou shouldest mark iniquity, who could stand? but there is forgiveness with thee that thou mayest be feared. Our souls would wait for thee, O Lord. More than they that watch for the morning, our souls would wait for thee. O Lord, graciously hear the voice of our supplications, and help us, and pity us. We confess that we are not worthy so much as to lift up our eyes to the place where thy majesty dwelleth, or to take thy name upon our lips; but we come to thee seeking thy blessing, in the name of Him in whose name thou hast encouraged us to wait upon thee, and ask for every good thing. Thou hast brought us safely to the beginning of another day. We praise and thank thee, who keepest us in our lying down and in our rising up. We thank thee for a Saviour whose name we can still plead, and for a sacrifice on which we can still trust. Give us grace to live in thy fear, and to continue in love and charity with all mankind. Give us truly penitent hearts; help us to amend our lives by thy Holy Spirit; and whether we live or die, whether we eat or drink, ever to set forth thy glory, honour, and praise. Save us from all envy, hatred, and malice, and ill-will, and uncharitableness. Give us thy Holy Spirit to make us truthful, honest, just, and kind. Bless all who are connected with us by the ties of this present life. Unite them to thyself by living faith, and make us heirs together of thy kingdom and glory. O Lord, refine thy church more and more; purify it as gold is purified; let its righteousness soon go forth like

brightness, and its salvation like a lamp that burneth. May grace, and mercy, and peace be with us all this day. May the peace that passeth understanding keep our hearts and minds continually. May we seek thy kingdom and thy righteousness first, that all other things may be added unto us. Give us grace to hallow thy name, and to do thy will, and to walk in thy ways all the day long. Give us the bread that perisheth, and feed us with the living bread that cometh down from heaven. Deliver us from evil, and lead us into no temptation. Bless us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ Jesus; to whom, with thee, and the eternal Spirit, be glory, and honour, and praise. Amen.

Saturday Evening.

Scripture Reading — Hebrews ix. 1–22.

O Lord, we thank thee that the types of things that were to be, have all passed away, and that the blessed realities are now revealed. O thou who dwellest between the cherubim, shine forth, and stir up thy strength, and come and save us. O Lord, feed us with the heavenly bread, the true manna that cometh down from heaven, even Christ, the bread of life. O Lord, let the light of thy sanctuary shine upon us, and grant us access into the true and holy place, through Him who offered himself for us, and for all who believe. Heavenly Father, may the blood of sprinkling cleanse us from all sin. Grant that the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without spot to God, may purge our consciences from dead works to serve the living God. Grant, O Lord, that he may be to us, and in our happy experience, the one Mediator of the New Testament. Blessed Lord, may we rise with Christ, and in affection enter with him into the holy places, of which the places made with hands are the figures. May we look for him coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory; may it be our frequent and our fervent prayer,

Come, Lord Jesus; and unto us, and unto all that look for him, may he soon come the second time without sin unto salvation. Prepare a people for his advent; give us hearts, we beseech thee, to welcome him; hasten the day when the whole earth shall be filled with his glory, and all shall bless him, and be blessed in him, and his name shall be exalted, and there shall be one flock, and one Shepherd. Be with us during the silent watches of the night; fit us for thy service on the ensuing sabbath; may it be a step nearer thy presence and glory, through Him that loved us, and put away sin by the sacrifice of himself. And may grace, and mercy, and peace, from God the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, be with us all this night and evermore. Amen.

FORTY-FIFTH WEEK.

Sabbath Morning.

SCRIPTURE READING — Psalm xci.

O THOU who dwellest in the secret place, O thou who art our refuge and our fortress, we lift up our hearts to thee, thou hearer of prayer, and flee to thee to hide us from all evil. O Lord, deliver us, we beseech thee, from the snare of the fowler, and from the noisome pestilence. Cover us by day and by night with thy mercies; and under thy wings may our trust and our shelter be. O Lord, this day let thy truth be our shield and our buckler. May we, trusting in thee the Lord, never be afraid for the terror by night, nor for the arrow that flieth by day, nor for the pestilence that walketh in darkness, nor for the destruction that wasteth at noonday. Give thine angels charge over us. May they be ministering servants to us. Give us grace, O Lord, to make thee, the Almighty, our refuge; thee, the Most High, our habitation. Let no evil befall us by day or by night; let no plague come near our

dwelling. O Lord, set thy love upon us, and help us to set our love upon thee. May we call upon thee frequently and fervently in prayer, and do thou graciously answer us. Be with us in trouble; satisfy us with long life; above all, satisfy us with thy goodness, and show us thy salvation. May the glad sound of thy gospel go forth this day to all lands, and be welcomed in many hearts, and prove the savour of life unto life to thousands who hear it. Be with all thy ministering servants, and strengthen, guide, and direct them. Give them power, and utterance, and wisdom from on high, that thy name may be glorified. Carry thy people this day into thy courts with praise, and into thy gates with thanksgiving. Make up the loss of outward ordinances to them who are not able to go into thy courts this day. Let thy church be built up in thy holy faith; raise up the bowed down; strengthen them that stand; comfort the weak-hearted; have mercy upon all men. All we ask is in the name and through the merits of Jesus Christ, our Lord and our Redeemer. Amen.

Sabbath Evening.

Scripture Reading — Psalm xcii.

O Lord, we will give thanks unto thee, and we will sing praises unto thy name, O Most High. Thou art worthy of glory, and honour, and thanksgiving, and praise, for all things were created by thee, and for thy glory they exist. We pray that we may have grace to show forth thy loving-kindness every morning, and thy faithfulness every night. Thou, O Lord, alone hast made us glad: we will triumph in the work of thy hands, and set forth thy redeeming love, and glorify thee. O thou who inhabitest the praises of Israel, we desire to bless and praise thee for thy loving-kindnesses and thy great mercies. We thank thee that our ears have heard the joyful sound, and that our eyes have seen our teachers. We pray that thy word may have free course and be glorified over

all the earth. We pray that those who are far from thee may be brought near. Let the righteous flourish like the palm tree; let them grow like the cedars of Lebanon. May we and all connected with us be planted in the house of the Lord, and flourish in thy courts, and bring forth fruit in old age. Thou, O Lord, art upright; thou art our God, there is no unrighteousness in thee. Help us to be perfect, even as thou our Father in heaven art perfect; and in all our ways to acknowledge thee. Heavenly father, pardon all our sins. Take away the evil heart of unbelief that tends to depart from thee the living God. May the lessons of the everlasting gospel sink deep into our hearts. May thy word, read or preached, prove to us and all that know it, the savour of life unto life. May thy Holy Spirit daily take of the things of Christ and disclose to our minds their excellency and glory and beauty. Create in us clean hearts, renew right spirits within us. Take not thy Holy Spirit away from us; hear us, and accept of us, and bless us, in the name and through the mediation of Jesus Christ our Advocate and our Redeemer. And unto Him who is able to keep us from falling, and to present us faultless before thy presence in glory with exceeding joy, to the only wise God our Saviour, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, now and evermore. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God our Father, and the communion of the Holy Ghost the Comforter, be with us all this night and evermore. Amen.

Monday Morning.

SCRIPTURE READING — Jeremiah vii. 1–16.

O LORD our heavenly Father, who reignest over all, we draw near to thee in the name of Jesus at the commencement of another day, and ask thee to hear the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts, and to answer us according to thy great mercy, and not to deal with us according to our

transgressions. Spare us, good Lord, we beseech thee; spare us for the sake of Him who ever liveth to make intercession for us, in whom alone we stand, for whose sake alone we look for grace and glory, and because of whose perfect righteousness and atoning sacrifice we are justified and accepted in thy sight. Give us grace, O Lord, to amend our ways and our doings, that we may dwell in the land. Forbid, O Lord, that we should trust in lying words, saying, The temple of the Lord are we. May we not oppress the stranger, the fatherless, and the widow, nor shed innocent blood, nor walk after other gods. Give us grace to keep all thy laws. Write them upon our hearts; may we feel thy yoke to be easy; help us to practise thy will and word in our lives. Perfect thy strength in our weakness; make thy grace sufficient for us; pour upon us and ours thy Holy Spirit, and bless all connected with us, here or absent. Hear these our petitions, we beseech thee, in heaven thy dwelling-place. Enable us to hallow thy name, to seek thy kingdom, to do thy will. Do thou deliver us from all evil, and lead us into no temptation. O Lord, be with us during all the days of the week on which we have entered. Hold up our goings that our footsteps slip not. Keep our eyes from tears, and our feet from falling, and our souls from death. May we ever and every where feel, Thou God seest us. Lift on us the light of thy countenance and bless us. And all we beg is for our Redeemer's sake. Amen.

Monday Evening.

Scripture Reading — Hebrews x. 1–27.

Lord, we thank and bless thee that what the law could not do in that it was weak through the flesh, thou in thy love and mercy hast done for us. We thank thee that the great sacrifice has been completed on the cross, and that we are now sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all. We thank thee that the everlasting High Priest

has appeared, and offered one sacrifice for sin, and has now sat down on the right hand of thee the Father, pleading for us, and waiting till his enemies become his footstool. We thank thee that by one offering he hath perfected all them that are sanctified. Oh may we have an interest in that covenant made with thy people. Do thou put thy laws in our hearts, and write them in our minds. Through the blood of sprinkling remember no more our sins and iniquities. Grant that we may enjoy the boldness that thou givest to enter into the holiest of all by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way which he hath consecrated for us. Having an High Priest over the house of God, we draw near to thee with a true heart, in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience. Give us grace to hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering; give us grace not to forsake the assembling of ourselves together. Forbid that we should sin wilfully after that we have received the knowledge of the truth. Give us patience, we beseech thee. Help us to live by faith. May our souls not draw back; may we go on unto perfection. Keep us ever without sin; guide us by thy Holy Spirit; provide us with daily bread day by day; and let the pillar of cloud by day, and the pillar of fire by night, continually follow us. All we ask is through the Redeemer. Amen.

Tuesday Morning.

Scripture Reading—Jeremiah vii. 21–34.

Lord, to whom can we come but unto thee? Thou hast the words of eternal life. If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us; but if we confess our sins, thou art faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. O Lord, give us grace to hearken unto thee, and to obey thy voice, and to love thee as our God. O do thou anoint us, and make us thy people,

and give us grace to walk in all the ways that thou hast commanded us, that it may be well with us on earth, and well with us hereafter in glory. O Lord, we confess that we have too long and too much walked in our own counsel, and in the imagination of our own evil hearts, and that we have gone backward and not forward, and that we have been ungrateful to thee, and unmindful of thee, and have not obeyed the voice of the Lord our God, nor received and brought forth the fruits of correction. Yet we turn unto thee, O Lord, and beseech thee for the sake of Him who is our strength and our Redeemer, to forgive us all our sins, to impute not to us our transgressions, to pronounce in our hearts thine own absolution, Thy sins be forgiven thee, to receive us graciously, and to love us freely. O Lord, look upon the earth that is full of darkness, and upon its desert places that are far from thee; and hasten the day when the voice of gladness, and the voice of the bridegroom, and the voice of the bride, shall be heard over all the earth, and the Lord God omnipotent shall reign everywhere. Deliver us this day from all evil; sanctify us through thy truth, and bless us with all spiritual and temporal blessings, for Jesus' name's sake. Amen.

Tuesday Evening.

Scripture Reading—Hebrews xi. 1–20.

Lord, create in our hearts that faith which is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen. May our faith prove its purity and its power by working by love, purifying the heart, and overcoming the world. Grant, O Lord, that we may offer unto thee our praises and our thanksgivings, and ourselves, as spiritual sacrifices, only on the altar which sanctifieth the gift, even Christ Jesus. We believe that thou art, O God, and we come to thee in the name of Him who is the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world, beseeching thee to reward according to thy grace them that dili-

gently seek thee. Give us the faith, O Lord, of thy saints and servants of old, who, not having received the promises, but having seen them afar off, were persuaded of them, and embraced them, and confessed that they were pilgrims and strangers on the earth. May this be our spirit and our feeling; and may we go forth in obedience to thy word, not knowing whither we go, but knowing only this, that we are dwellers in tabernacles on earth, but heirs of the promises in heaven. May we look beyond this present world for a city which hath foundations, whose builder and maker is God. May we desire with our whole heart a better country, that is, an heavenly. Be not thou ashamed, O Lord, to be called our God. Give us grace to show whose we are, and in whom we trust, by living soberly, righteously, and godly in this present world, looking for that blessed hope, the glorious appearing of Jesus Christ our God and Saviour, who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works. Let these our prayers and praises come before thee as the evening incense, through Him who died for us; and let grace, and mercy, and peace, be with us evermore. Amen.

Wednesday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Jeremiah viii. 1–13.

O heavenly Father, we thy children draw near to thy footstool, rejoicing in this blessed truth, that if any man sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. O Lord, we confess with shame before heaven and in thy sight, that too long have we slidden back from thee, too long have we held fast deceit, and too often have we refused to return. O Lord, we confess that we have not repented of our wickedness, saying, What have we done? We confess that we have not been wise, as we thought, but that we have often rejected thy holy word, and walked in the sparks of our own kindling.

We confess that priest and people have been given to covetousness, and have dealt falsely. O Lord, graciously forgive us. Through the blood of sprinkling, do thou graciously pardon us. Heal the hurt of the daughter of thy people, we beseech thee, not slightly, but truly; justified by faith, may we have that peace with thee which passeth all understanding. O Lord, may we avail ourselves of the means of grace, and the opportunities of salvation, before the harvest is past, and the summer is ended, and we are not saved. Pour upon thy whole church thy Holy Spirit; let the dew of thy blessing descend upon the whole earth; visit us with thy salvation; take to thee thy mighty power, and reign throughout the earth. Arise and have mercy upon Zion; let the set time to favour it draw nigh. Hear our petitions, O Lord; despise not our supplications, but bless us and ours with all spiritual, temporal, and eternal blessings, through Christ, our High Priest and our Redeemer. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. Amen.

Wednesday Evening.

Scripture Reading — Hebrews xi. 21–40.

Heavenly Father, we desire to worship thee the living and the true God, who livest and reignest for ever and ever. O Lord, give us grace, we beseech thee, to seek first thy kingdom and thy righteousness, that all other things may be added unto us. May we prefer to suffer affliction with the people of God rather than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season. Give us grace, O thou Fountain of all grace, who givest thy Holy Spirit unto them that ask thee, to esteem the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures of Egypt. Open our eyes and dispose our hearts to have respect unto the recompense of reward. May thy Holy Spirit help us to endure, as seeing thee who art invisible. May the blood of Christ our

Passover, who has been sacrificed for us, be sprinkled upon our hearts. May no destroying angel touch us; may we be safe in the everlasting arms; number us with thy saints in glory everlasting. May we weep with them that suffer; and do thou hasten that blessed day when there shall be no more sorrow, nor suffering, nor death, but when all things shall be made new, and thy sons shall be manifested, and the whole earth shall be filled with thy glory. We beseech thee to accept of our thanksgivings for this day's guidance, for our privileges, for our personal, social, and national mercies and blessings. May we not forget who makes us to differ; may we give thee the praise. Blessed Lord, nourish in our hearts that faith which subdues kingdoms, works righteousness, and obtains the promises. Lord, we believe; help thou our unbelief. Take away the evil heart of unbelief. Evermore keep, and bless, and sanctify us. Hear us and help us, O Lord, we beseech thee. Continue long to us the expressions of thy loving-kindness; forgive us all our sins, through Christ Jesus; and do for us and to us above all we can either ask or think, for his blessed name's sake. Amen.

Thursday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Jeremiah ix. 1–16.

O Lord, we confess with shame and with sorrow that we have broken thy holy law, that we have not always spoken truth, that through deceit we have refused often to know thee. We have walked in our own ways, and in the imaginations of our own heart. We have forsaken thy holy law; we have not obeyed thy voice. O Lord, deal not with us after our iniquities, reward us not according to our transgressions, but give us, O God, humble, lowly, penitent, and obedient hearts. May we look upon him whom we have pierced, and mourn. May Christ, who is exalted a Prince and a Saviour, give us

repentance and remission of sins. May we by the teaching of thy Holy Spirit grow in wisdom, in grace, and in every blessing that thou approvest upon earth, and in fitness for sharing in thy glory hereafter. Forbid that the wise man should glory in his wisdom, or the rich man in his riches. Grant that very soon he that glorieth may glory in this, that he understandeth and knoweth thee. O thou who exercisest loving-kindness, judgment, and righteousness in the earth, may we glory in thee, and in the cross of Christ, and count all but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of him. O God, to whom all hearts be open, and all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid, cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy name. Hear our petitions, O Lord; let thy blessing be upon us this day; guide us evermore by the light of thy truth; sanctify us by thy Holy Spirit; never leave us, never forsake us. All we beg is in the name and through the mediation of Him who is our Prince and our Redeemer. Amen.

Thursday Evening.

Scripture Reading — Hebrews xii.

Heavenly Father, we humbly and heartily beseech thee, seeing that we are compassed with a great cloud of martyrs, who sealed their testimony with their blood, and were faithful to the death, to give us grace to lay aside every weight, and the sin that doth so easily beset us, and to run with patience the race that thou hast set before us, looking as we run, not to any of the witnesses, but unto Jesus the author and the finisher of our faith. O Lord, may we never despise the chastening of thee the Lord; forbid that we should faint when we are rebuked of thee. May this be our comfort in all our trials, that the Lord chasteneth him whom he loveth. May we ever feel that though no chastening for the present seemeth to be

joyous, but grievous, yet that afterwards it yieldeth the peaceable fruit of righteousness to them that are exercised thereby. O Lord, give us grace to lift up the hands which hang down, and the feeble knees. Incline our hearts to follow peace with all men, and holiness before thee, without which no man shall see the Lord. May thy Holy Spirit help us to look diligently, lest any man fail of the grace of God; lest any root of bitterness springing up trouble us, and thereby many be defiled. We thank thee that we are come unto Mount Sion, and unto the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to an innumerable company of angels, to the general assembly and church of the firstborn which are written in heaven, and to God the Judge of all, and to the spirits of just men made perfect, and to Jesus the mediator of the new covenant, and to the blood of sprinkling, that speaketh better things than that of Abel. Give us grace not to refuse him that speaketh, but with our whole heart to receive and hold fast the ingrafted word which is able to save our souls. Hear us, we entreat thee, for thy dear Son's sake. Amen.

Friday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Jeremiah x. 1–20.

O Lord, remember, we beseech thee, thy former lovingkindnesses, and thy mercies which have been of old for ever. Visit not the earth in thy wrath, but spare us, we beseech thee. O thou who art the Lord our God, whose name is great in might, and who only art holy, may we fear thee. O thou King of nations, may we worship thee only, Lord God Almighty, our everlasting King, our Father, our Maker, and our all. We lift up our hearts to thee, and beseech thee to justify us freely from all our transgressions, and to accept of us as righteous only through the righteousness of Him who is all our righteousness, our wisdom, our salvation, and our desire. Gracious

God, bless all who are connected with us; bless all thy people throughout the earth; extend thy cause; may thy kingdom come; may the whole earth be filled with thy praise. This day give us daily bread; satisfy our souls with goodness; supply all our wants; give us grace to live soberly, and righteously, and godly in this present world, looking for that blessed hope, the glorious appearing of Jesus Christ our God and Saviour. O Lord, correct us, but with judgment; not in thine anger, lest thou bring us to nothing. May all thy dealings with us be paternal, and not penal. The way of man is not in himself; it is not in man that walketh to direct his steps. O do thou keep us from falling; guide us in the way that is right; make plain our paths before us. Hear us, and help us, and bless us; cleanse us from secret faults, and keep us back from presumptuous sins, for the Redeemer's name's sake. Amen.

Friday Evening.

Scripture Reading—Hebrews xiii.

Lord, we humbly beseech thee to shed abroad in our hearts the peace of God that passeth all understanding. May we love thee the Lord our God with all our heart, and our brethren even as ourselves. May we honour thee in all the relationships of this present life, and set thee before us, and do thou direct us. Give us grace from on high, we beseech thee, to remember them that are in bonds as bound with them; may our conversation be in all purity, and without covetousness. Give us grace to be content with such things as we have. Ever remind us of thy blessed promise, "I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee." O Lord our helper, may our confidence be in thee. Give us grace to follow the faith of them who follow thee, looking unto Jesus, the same yesterday, to-day, and for ever. May we not be carried about with divers and strange doctrines. May we cleave to the only altar that sanctifies all

gifts, even Jesus who sanctifies his people with his own blood. May we never forget that here we have no continuing city, but that, as pilgrims and strangers, we seek one to come. By Christ the Altar may we offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually, giving thanks to his name. Help us to do good, and to communicate, and to remember that with such spiritual sacrifices thou art well-pleased. May we cheerfully obey them that have the rule over us in all good things. Forgive all that thou hast seen amiss in our conduct this day; overrule all that has betided us for good; and do thou the God of peace, that brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make us perfect in every good work to do thy will, working in us that which is well-pleasing in thy sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen. Grace be with us all. Amen.

Saturday Morning.

SCRIPTURE READING — Jeremiah xi. 1–17.

O LORD, we confess that we have broken thy holy law, and incurred its just and righteous condemnation, and are liable to thy curse for evermore. We have not obeyed, nor inclined our ear, as we ought to have done. We have walked every one in the imagination of his evil heart; we have turned back to the iniquity of our forefathers; we have refused to hear thy words; we have served other gods. O Lord, have mercy upon us, we beseech thee. Lay not to our charge our transgressions. Pardon them freely through the blood of sprinkling; deliver us from the curse which we have justly provoked; and let thy mercy be upon us, even as we put our trust in thee. O Lord, give us thy Holy Spirit, henceforth to walk before thee and be perfect, to adorn the doctrine we profess, and in all things to set forth the praises of Him who hath called us from

darkness into his marvellous light. O thou that judgest righteously, that triest the reins and the heart, look upon us in mercy, and not in judgment; forgive all our offences, and receive us graciously. Extend thy saving health to all who are connected with us. Bless our country, and our President, and all under him and over us in lawful authority. Let the kingdoms of this world soon be the kingdoms of our God and of his Christ. Take to thee thy power, and reign for ever and ever. O Lord, our God and our King, hear these our prayers in heaven thy dwelling-place; hear us, O our Father in heaven. May thy name be hallowed by us; may thy will be done in us: and through us. May thy kingdom come first into our hearts. Give us daily bread; deliver us from every evil; and lead us into no temptation: for all we beg is in Jesus' name. And unto Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, be all the glory, the kingdom, and the power. Amen.

Saturday Evening.

Scripture Reading — James i.

Heavenly Father, at the close of another day and another week we draw near to thee in the name of Jesus Christ, beseeching thee to hear our prayers, and to answer them according to thy great mercy. Whatever thou hast seen in the past inconsistent with thy will, or with our profession, do thou graciously forgive, in the name of Him who ever liveth to make intercession for us. Do thou strengthen and nourish within us every good and holy purpose implanted by thee, and root out from our hearts every evil appetite, affection, and desire. Give us grace, heavenly Father, still to count it all joy when we fall into divers trials, that the trying of our faith may work patience, and that patience may have her perfect work, that we ourselves may be perfect, wanting nothing. O Lord, we lack wisdom, and we ask of thee to supply it to us, beseeching thee to give us liberally. We ask in faith, nothing wavering,

being sure that thou art able and willing to do for us and to us above all that we can either ask or think. O Lord, grant that we may be content with such things as we have; may the brother of low degree rejoice that he is exalted by grace; may the rich feel happy only in possessing the unsearchable riches of Christ. Give us the blessedness of the man that endureth temptation; may we receive in thine abundant mercy the crown of life which thou hast promised to them that love thee. O thou who art the author of every good and perfect gift, who art the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning, beget us again to a living hope through the word of truth, and receive us to thy favour, who have so often sinned against thy law, through Christ the Saviour. May we have grace from on high to lay aside all filthiness, and to receive with meekness the engrafted word which is able to save our souls. Make us doers of the word, and not hearers only. Help us, O God, by thy Holy Spirit more and more to exhibit to the world pure and undefiled religion before thee the Father, and to show that the doctrines of the cross are doctrines according to good works, by visiting the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and keeping ourselves unspotted from the world. Hear us for the sake of our Redeemer, in whose name, and perfect words, we sum up our petitions, saying, Our Father, &c.

FORTY-SIXTH WEEK.

Sabbath Morning.

Scripture Readings — Psalms xciii.; xciv. 1–15.

Lord, thou reignest over all; the world is established by thee; thy throne is of old; thou art from everlasting; thy testimonies are sure, and holiness becometh thine house, O Lord, for ever. O thou who didst plant the ear, and formedst

the eye, and who knowest the thoughts of man, help us to fear and worship thee, for thou only art worthy. This day may we go into thy courts with praise, and into thy gates with thanksgiving. In the multitude of our thoughts within us let thy comforts delight our souls. Be thou our defence, O God; be thou the rock of our refuge. Teach thy ministering servants wisdom, give them power to unfold it. May thy word have free course and be glorified over all the earth. Let not the wicked triumph, let not the righteous suffer; hasten the day when mercy and truth shall meet together, and righteousness and peace embrace each other over a reclaimed and a happy world. O Lord, send forth thy light and thy truth to the uttermost ends of the earth; may the wide world soon be covered with the light of the knowledge of thy truth; may all flesh soon see the salvation of our God. Open our eyes to understand the things that belong to our eternal peace. Give us hearts to receive with meekness the engrafted word; may thy gospel be to us a savour of life; may thy church be increased more and more; may there be added to it daily such as shall be saved. Hear our prayers, O Lord, and accept of our praises, and be with us and bless us, and cause thy face to shine upon us, that thy ways may be known upon earth, and thy saving health among all nations. Let the people praise thee, O God; let all the people praise thee. O let the nations rejoice and be glad; for thou shalt judge the people righteously, and govern the nations upon the earth. Hear us, and help us, and bless us, and do us good, for Christ's sake. Amen.

Sabbath Evening.

Scripture Readings — Psalms xcv.; xcvi.

O Lord, we will sing praises unto thee, for thou art worthy of thanksgiving, and honour, and blessing, and praise. Thou only, O Lord, art the Rock of our salvation, and on thee we rest, and to thee we flee as to the shadow of a great rock in a

weary land. We desire to come into thy presence with thanksgiving, and to make a joyful noise unto thee with psalms. Thou, O Lord, art a great God and a great King. The deep places of the earth are in thy hands; the strength of the hills is thine also. Thou madest the sea, and formedst the dry land. We will come into thy courts with praise, and into thy gates with thanksgiving, in the name of Him who is the one Mediator between thee and us, and worship thee, and bow down before thee, and kneel before thee the Lord, our Maker and our Redeemer. O Lord, may we ever cherish thee as our God; may we ever act, and feel, and hope, and trust, as the people of thy pasture, and the sheep of thy hand. Deliver us from an evil heart of unbelief that tempts us to depart from thee the living God; in the day of temptation do thou strengthen us. Feed us with living bread in the wilderness; forbid, O Lord, that we should grieve and vex thee by erring in our hearts, and not knowing thy ways. Hasten the day, O Lord, when the Redeemer shall come to Mount Zion, and shine before his ancients gloriously, and the heathen shall be his inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth shall be his possession, and the heavens shall rejoice, and the earth shall be glad. Forgive us all the sins of the week that is past away, through the meritorious and atoning death of the one Sacrifice made for sin, and renew our hearts by thy Holy Spirit, creating within us clean hearts, and renewing right spirits within us. Hear us, O Lord, we beseech thee, for the sake of Jesus Christ our strength and our Redeemer. Amen.

Monday Morning.

Scripture Reading—Jeremiah xii.

Lord, to whom can we come, but unto thee? Thou hast the words of eternal life. If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us; but if we confess

our sins, thou art faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Pardon our sins, we beseech thee, in the name of Him who died, the just in the room of the unjust, to bring us unto thee. We have sinned and done wickedly, and have gone astray from thee like lost sheep, and have wearied thee, and vexed thee, and are unworthy of the least of all thy mercies. O Lord, have mercy upon us, we beseech thee, according to thy loving-kindness; and in the name of the Prince of Peace, let thy peace keep us evermore. May thy Spirit, even the Spirit of wisdom, and understanding, and supplication, and prayer, dwell in our hearts, and lead and guide us in the way everlasting. This day be with us in our going out and our coming in; supply all our wants; satisfy our souls with bread; save us from all that is evil; guide us unto all that is good; make us blessings to all that are about us, and help us to show forth the praises of Him who hath called us from darkness into his marvellous light. The Lord bless us and keep us; the Lord lift up the light of his countenance upon us, and be gracious to us; the Lord lift up the light of his countenance upon us, and give us peace, through Jesus Christ. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. Amen.

Monday Evening.

SCRIPTURE READING—James ii.

O LORD, we pray that in the house of prayer at all times we may ever feel, "Thou God seest us;" and may we ever be thankful for the blessed privilege of having a place on earth where the rich and poor meet together, and feel that thou the Lord art the Maker of them all. We thank thee, O Lord, that thou hast chosen the poor of this world, rich in faith, to be heirs of the kingdom which thou hast promised to them that love thee. Make us poor in spirit, but rich in grace, and

grant that we may love our neighbour even as ourselves, and walk before thee the Lord our God as the Maker of us all; we pray that thou wouldest be pleased to shed abroad in our hearts the most excellent gift of charity and love, that we may be ready to distribute, abounding in good works, visiting the widow and the fatherless, and keeping ourselves unspotted from the world. O Lord, may the righteousness of Christ be imputed unto us, and by his righteousness may we be accepted of thee, and through the operation of his Holy Spirit be made thy friends; and while our faith justifies us in ourselves as the instrument of our acceptance of Christ, and his righteousness alone justifies us as the meritorious ground and title, may our works declaratively prove to the world that we are justified, accepted, washed, and regenerated of thee. Enable us to adorn the doctrine we profess in all things, and to walk worthy of our high vocation as kings and priests unto thee; and may our light so shine before men, that others seeing our good works may glorify thee our Father in heaven. These and all other blessings we humbly ask in the name and through the mediation of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Tuesday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Jeremiah xiii. 1–19.

To the Lord our God belong mercies and forgiveness, though we have rebelled against him. He is not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to him, and live for ever. Let thy word, O Lord, come to us, and pronounce thou in our hearts this absolution, Thy sins be forgiven thee. Take away the sins of the whole house of Israel, and of the whole house of Judah. Make us, we beseech thee, to thee for a people, and for a name, and for a praise, and for a glory. God forbid that we should refuse to hear thy words, or that we should any more walk in the imagination of our hearts, or

walk after other gods, or serve or worship them. May we rejoice to give glory to thee the Lord our God before thou causest darkness, and before the feet stumble upon the dark mountains. O Lord, do thou visit thy church throughout all the earth; take away the greatness of its iniquity; visit not thy people according to their demerits, but in thy mercy spare them, and in thy love forgive them, and pour out thy Holy Spirit upon all flesh, and let thy kingdom come, and thy name be hallowed, and thy will be done from the rising of the sun to the going down of the same. Let the people bless thee, and be blessed in thee, and let the Redeemer's name be exalted above every name, and all flesh see the salvation of our God. Hear us, O Lord, and help us, and have mercy upon us, in the name and through the mediation of our great High Priest; and unto Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, one God, be all honour and glory, world without end. Amen.

Tuesday Evening.

SCRIPTURE READING—James iii.

O LORD our heavenly Father, may we who have been called unto thy kingdom, and privileged with the blessings of thy gospel, adorn that doctrine which we profess, and give no offence in word or deed to any man. Grant, O Lord, that we may be slow to speak, and swift to hear. May we bless thee with all our heart, and strength, and mind, and walk according to thy will, in all things showing ourselves to be the children of thee our Father in heaven. May the heart, as the fountain of influence, be renewed and regenerated by thy Holy Spirit, that it may send forth sweet waters only; may the tree be made good, that its fruit may be good. May we show out of a good conversation our works with meekness of wisdom. Take away from us all bitter envying and strife in our hearts; may the wisdom that is from above, which is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, and easy to be entreated, full of good fruits, with-

out partiality, and without hypocrisy, enlighten our minds, and dwell in our hearts. May the fruits of righteousness sown in peace abound in us more and more. Plant within us those living principles that alone bear the fruits of eternal joy. May thy Holy Spirit dwell in every heart, and purify our inmost affections, and scatter all our prejudices, however strong, and root out our evil passions, however inveterate. Create in us clean hearts. Hide thy face from our sins. Hear us O Lord, and help us, and bless us, and do us good. Pardon all the sins of this day through Him who is our hope, our trust, and our Redeemer. Sanctify us through thy truth; thy word is truth; for the sake of Him who ever liveth to make intercession for us: to whom, with thee, and the ever-blessed Spirit, one God, be all honour and glory, world without end. Amen.

Wednesday Morning.

SCRIPTURE READING.—Jeremiah xiv. 1–15.

O LORD, we acknowledge our wickedness, and the iniquity of our fathers; for we have sinned against thee; we have done wickedly, we have broken thy holy law; we have left undone those things that we ought to have done, and we have done those that we ought not to have done, and there is no health in us. Do not abhor us, O Lord, for thy name's sake. Do not disgrace the throne of thy glory. Remember us, we beseech thee; break not thy covenant with us. O Lord our God, we will wait upon thee; thou hast made all things, and didst so love us, that thou gavest thine only begotten Son to die for us. We confess that we are altogether unworthy, for we have loved to wander; we have not refrained our feet. O Lord, though our iniquities testify against us, yet for thy name's sake do thou visit us, and in thy great compassion blot out all our sins, we beseech thee. O Lord, thou art the hope of Israel, the Saviour thereof in time of trouble; be not as a

stranger in our land. We are called by thy name; leave us not, nor forsake us, we earnestly beseech thee. Lord, to whom can we go but unto thee? Thou hast the words of eternal life. Look, we beseech thee, upon all thy people throughout the world; increase the number of them that love thee; pour out thy Holy Spirit upon all that are called by thy name: may the dark places of the earth soon see a great light; may the desert rejoice, and the solitary place blossom as the rose. Hasten the day when all shall know thee from the least to the greatest. Hear these our petitions, O Lord, and be with us this day. Give us daily bread, deliver us from all evil, lead us into no temptation, cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit; for all we ask is in the name and through the merits of Jesus Christ our Redeemer, to whom be glory evermore. Amen.

Wednesday Evening.

Scripture Reading — James iv.

Enter not into judgment with thy servants, O Lord, for in thy sight no man living can be justified. O Lord, we earnestly beseech thee to change the nature of all before thee, that we may bring forth the peaceable fruits of righteousness. Thou only art able to change the heart; to thee alone we look, and from thee alone we expect it. May we ask and receive in the name of Jesus those things that are truly requisite and expedient for us. Make us, O Lord, by grace thy friends, and not the friends of the world. Give us more grace, even grace for grace. O Lord, whilst thou resistest the proud, may we have that humility, in the heart of which thou delightest to dwell. Give us grace to submit ourselves unto thee; to resist the devil, that he may flee from us. By thy Holy Spirit may we draw nigh to thee; but do thou first draw near to us. Cleanse our hands, and purify our thoughts, O thou who art the author of all good things. Help us to humble ourselves in thy sight,

that we may be lifted up in due time. Help us to feel that we know not what a day may bring forth, that we are pilgrims and strangers, and our life even as a vapour, that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away. May our hearts and our treasure be in heaven, may we look for a city which hath foundations, whose builder and maker is God. May we do good, as we have opportunity, to all men, and may we be found of thee the sons of God, blameless, and without rebuke, in the midst of a sinful generation. May we live as strangers and pilgrims, looking for a city that hath foundations. May our hearts be set supremely on everlasting things. May our life be hid with Christ in thee. In the world by thy providence, may we not be of it by thy grace. Let thy Holy Spirit lead and guide us. Let thy word be a lamp to our path by night and by day, here and everywhere. Pour down thy Holy Spirit on every branch of thy universal church. May they that weep be as though they wept not, and they that rejoice as though they rejoiced not, and they that use the world as not abusing it, knowing that the fashion of it passeth away. Hear us, O Lord, for the sake of Him whom thou hearest always; and let grace, and mercy, and peace be with us this night and evermore. Amen.

Thursday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Jeremiah xv. 1–13.

O Lord, after thy loving-kindness have mercy upon us, and according to the multitude of thy compassions blot out all our iniquities. Remember not against us our former sins, O Lord; take not thou vengeance on our iniquities, we beseech thee, but spare us, good Lord, according to thy great mercy, and blot out all our sins like as a cloud, and our transgressions like a thick cloud. In thought, word, and deed, we have sinned against thee. We have sinned against light and against love,

and we are unworthy of the very least of all thy mercies. Lord, graciously forgive us; forsake us not; destroy not the work of thy hand; stretch not out thy hand against us, but hear us and help us. We are called by thy name; remember thy covenant, give us thy Spirit, we entreat thee. May He dwell within us a light that cannot be darkened, a fire that shall not be quenched. May He lead us and guide us in the way of thy commandments, and take of the things of Christ and show them unto us, and lead us to count all but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of him, and to be ready to part with all, that we may win him, and be found in him, not having our own righteousness which is of the law, but the righteousness of thee which is through faith in him. Deliver us, we beseech thee, this day from all iniquity; cleanse the thoughts of our hearts; strengthen us for every duty; prepare us for every trial, and prosper us with thy blessing. May neither life nor death separate us from thee; let goodness and mercy follow us; and let us dwell in thy house for ever. This we ask, not for our own sakes, for we are unworthy, but for the sake of Him whom thou gavest to be a propitiation for our sins in his blood; unto whom, with thee, and the ever blessed Spirit, one God, we ascribe the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Thursday Evening.

Scripture Reading — James v.

O Lord, may we not trust in uncertain riches, but in thee the living God. May we ever feel, "What shall it profit a man, if he gain the whole world, and lose his own soul?" May we therefore be ready to distribute; may we sympathize with them that suffer; and give patience, O Lord, to them that are oppressed, and teach them to look for deliverance at the coming of the Lord. Make us patient, stablish our hearts; help us to rejoice because the coming of the Lord draweth

nigh. Forbid, O Lord, that we should grudge one against another, lest we be condemned. May we remember that the Judge is at the door. O Lord, when we suffer, may we suffer as Christians, and be numbered with the happy which endure. When we are afflicted, may we draw near to thee in prayer, and seek comfort from thee. When we are merry, may we sing songs of thanksgiving unto thee. May our sorrows and our joys equally bring us to thee, in whom we live, and move, and have our being. Help us, O Lord, to confess our sins unto thee, and from the heart to acknowledge our transgressions. We have sinned against thee, and left undone many things that we ought to have done, and done many things that we ought not to have done. We therefore pray thee to pardon our sins through the blood of sprinkling, and to accept of us in the name of Jesus, and to justify us freely, finally, and fully, for his sake, that we may be presented faultless before thy presence in glory with exceeding joy. Let these our petitions come before thee this night as the evening incense; and let an answer be vouchsafed to us, in the name and for the sake of Him who ever liveth to make intercession for us at thy right hand; to whom, with thee, and the Holy Spirit, one God, be all honour and glory. Amen.

Friday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Jeremiah xvi. 1–15.

O Lord, we confess that we have all vexed and grieved thee, and have done wickedly, and are not worthy of the very least expression of thy loving-kindnesses. We have forsaken thee the Lord, and have walked after other gods, and have served them, and worshipped them, and have not kept thy law. We have done worse than our fathers, we have walked every one after the imagination of his evil heart, and we have not hearkened unto thee, O Lord. We have committed iniquity,

and it is not hid from thee. O Lord, our strength, our for tress, and our refuge, in the day of affliction to whom can we come but unto thee? Have mercy upon us, and graciously forgive us; pardon our iniquity, for it is great; let the blood of Christ Jesus cleanse us from all sin; let the Holy Spirit of Jesus dwell in our hearts; let the voice of mirth and the voice of gladness, and the voice of the bridegroom, and the voice of the bride, again be heard in our land. Pronounce not evil against us, O Lord. Put in our hands the cup of mercy and of consolation. This day give us the bread that perisheth; put thy blessing on our basket and on our store; give us strength to labour, and give a blessing on our labours. May we do justly, and love mercy, and walk humbly with thee, our God. In all time of our tribulation, and in all time of our wealth, be thou our trust, our confidence, and our shield. Bless us, and all connected with us; and cause thy face to shine upon us. Let the words of our mouths, and the meditations of our hearts, be acceptable in thy sight, O God, our strength and our Redeemer; and when heart and flesh shall faint and fail, be thou the strength of our hearts, and our portion for ever. All we ask is for the Redeemer's sake. The grace of our Lord Jesus be with us all. Amen.

Friday Evening.

Scripture Reading — 1 Peter i.

O Lord, we draw near to thee as strangers scattered throughout the world, but one in Christ. We trust we are elect according to the foreknowledge of thee the Father. May we discover this through the sanctification of the Spirit, and the sprinkling of the blood of Jesus. We thank thee, O Lord, that according to thine abundant mercy thou hast begotten us again to a living hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance incorruptible and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for us. Keep

us, O Lord, by thy mighty power, through faith unto salvation, ready to be revealed in the last time. May we rejoice in our afflictions and manifold temptations which are needful; and may the trial of our faith, being much more precious than of gold that perisheth, though it be tried with fire, be found unto praise, and honour, and glory, at the appearing of Jesus Christ. O Lord, give us grace to love Him whom we have not seen; and though now we see him not, yet to believe on him, and to rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory. May we receive into our hearts the end of our faith, the salvation of our souls. As He who hath called us is holy, may we be holy; make us obedient children. We thank thee that we are redeemed by precious blood; may we rejoice in thee all the day long. Give us grace to purify our souls in obeying the truth. Fill our hearts with unfeigned love of the brethren; and while all flesh is as grass, and all the glory of man as the flower of the grass, may we rejoice to know and believe that thy word endureth for ever and ever. Hear our petitions, O Lord, in heaven thy dwelling-place; and when thou hearest, graciously forgive, through Jesus Christ, our Prince and our Redeemer. Amen.

Saturday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Jeremiah xvii. 5–18.

O Lord, our heavenly Father, help us to feel in all their force the great truths that thou hast written for our instruction. Forbid, O Lord, that we should trust in man, or make flesh our arm, or that our heart should depart from thee the living God. Forgive our past apostasy from thee, whether in thought, in word, or in deed, through the atoning sacrifice of Him who was made sin for us, that we might be made the righteousness of God in him. Absolve us in Him, O thou who only art able. Make us trees planted by the waters, that

spread out their roots by the river, and shall not see when heat cometh, but whose leaves shall be green. O Lord, we confess that our heart is by nature deceitful above all things and desperately wicked. O thou who searchest the heart, sanctify it, we beseech thee. We confess that we have often forsaken the fountain of living waters, and hewn out to ourselves broken cisterns that can hold no water; but do thou heal us, and we shall be healed; save us, and we shall be saved. Be not a terror to us, but be our hope in the day of evil. Help us to hallow thy sabbaths, and to count them joyful days, as thou hast commanded to our fathers. May we grow in grace, as we grow in days and in years; guide us by thy counsel while we live, and receive us to thyself when we die. To live may it be Christ, and to die let it be great gain to each of us. May we honour thee that thou mayest honour us. Bless all in whose spiritual and eternal well-being we feel a deep interest. Bless all thy people. Hear us in heaven thy dwelling-place, and when thou hearest, forgive, through Christ our Saviour. Be with us this day in all our ways. Keep our eyes from tears and our feet from falling. Hold up our goings that our footsteps slip not, And may the peace of God that passeth understanding keep our hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord; and may the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst us, and abide with us all evermore. Amen.

Saturday Evening.

Scripture Reading — 1 Peter ii.

O Lord, give us grace to lay aside all malice, and all guile, and hypocrisy, and envying, and evil speaking; help us, as new-born babes, to desire the sincere milk of the word, that we may grow thereby. May we be made living stones, and so be built up a spiritual house, a holy priesthood, to offer up spi-

ritual sacrifices acceptable to thee by Jesus Christ. May Christ be to us most precious; may the stone that the builders disallowed be in our estimate the head-stone of the corner. O Lord, make us by thy Holy Spirit, and by the manifestation of thy love and grace, a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a peculiar people; enable us to show forth the praises of Him who hath called us from darkness unto his marvellous light. May we submit ourselves to every ordinance of man for thy sake; unto the laws as supreme, or unto the judges as unto those that are sent for the punishment of evil-doers, and for the praise of them that do well. May we honour all men, love the brotherhood, fear God, honour our rulers. May servants be subject to their masters with all fear; may masters forbear threatening; may we have the spirit, and imitate the example, of Him who, when he was reviled, reviled not again, who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we being dead unto sin might live unto righteousness. May we all be healed by his stripes; and having as sheep gone astray, may we now return unto the Shepherd and Bishop of our souls. Hear our prayers and our supplications, for the sake of Him who suffered for us; and may grace, mercy, and peace, from God the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, be with us all this night and evermore. Amen.

FORTY-SEVENTH WEEK.

Sabbath Morning.

SCRIPTURE READINGS — Psalms xcv; xcvi.

O LORD, we will sing unto thee, and we will make a joyful noise unto thee the only Rock of our salvation. We desire to come into thy presence with thanksgiving, and to make a joyful noise unto thee with psalms. Thou, O Lord, art a great God, and a great King above all gods: the strength of the hills is

thine, and the deep places of the earth are thine also. The sea is thine, and thou madest it, and thy hands formed the dry land. We desire, O Lord, to come and worship, and bow down, and kneel before thee the Lord our Maker. We pray that we may ever feel the blessed truth that thou art our God, and that we are the people of thy pasture and the sheep of thy hand. May the great Shepherd of the sheep lead and guide us in green pastures and by the living waters. O Lord, grant, we beseech thee, that our hearts may be sanctified by thy rich grace, and never be hardened as in the case of thy children in the provocation, and in the day of temptation in the wilderness. Forbid, O Lord, that we should ever tempt thee, or do violence to our own conscience, or act inconsistently with the prescriptions of thy blessed word. We pray that we may enter into rest on earth as the type of the rest that remaineth for the people of God, and that when time shall be no more, there may be to us an abundant entrance into thy kingdom in glory. O Lord, we desire to show forth thy salvation this day; may thy glory be declared by thy ministering servants every where among the people; may thy honour and thy majesty be set forth, may thy strength and thy beauty be revealed in thy sanctuary. May all nations give the glory due unto thy name. O Lord, we desire to wash our hands in innocency, and to come into thy courts and worship thee in the beauty of holiness, and to fear before thee. Hasten the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ, when the field shall be joyful, and the heaven shall rejoice, and he shall judge the world with righteousness, and the people with his truth. All we beg is for our Redeemer's sake. Amen.

Sabbath Evening.

SCRIPTURE READINGS — Psalms xcvii; xcviii.

O LORD, we rejoice to know that thou reignest in the heavens, and with all the multitudes of the isles we would be glad. Clouds and darkness are round about thee, but righteousness

and judgment are the habitation of thy throne. Increase, O Lord, our confidence in thee; and may we acquaint ourselves with thee, and be at peace; and may we have increased reason for trusting in thee, the Lord God of our salvation. Grant, we beseech thee, that thy righteousness may be declared fully, and freely, and boldly, before the land; and may all the people see increasingly thy glory. Let Zion hear the glorious gospel, and be glad; let the daughters of Judah rejoice because of thy righteous judgments. O Lord, may they that love thee hate evil more and more. Preserve our souls, O God, and deliver us out of the hands of the wicked. Let light be sown for the righteous, and gladness for the upright in heart. May the righteous ever rejoice in thee the Lord, and give thanks at the remembrance of thy holiness. Let thy right hand and thy holy arm get thee the victory; make known thy salvation in every parish; let thy righteousness be openly showed in every corner of the land; let all the ends of the earth see the salvation of our God. May we ever in thy sanctuary make a joyful noise unto thee the Lord, and rejoice and sing praises. Let that everlasting sabbath come speedily, when the Redeemer shall come, and judge the world with righteousness, and his people with equity. Mercifully hear our petitions, O Lord; for all we beg is for Jesus' name's sake, in whose name and words we sum up our petitions, saying, Our Father which art in heaven, &c. Amen.

Monday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Jeremiah xviii. 1–19.

O Lord, we come before thee as the Maker of heaven and of earth, before whom all the inhabitants of the earth are but as grasshoppers. We are the clay, O Lord, and thou art the potter; we are under thy control and government continually, and we rejoice to know that thou reignest in the armies of heaven, and over all the inhabitants of the earth. We pray,

O most merciful Father, that thou wouldest be pleased to look down upon us in thy mercy, and to forgive us all the sins that cleave to us by nature and practice. O Lord, we confess that we have walked in our own ways, and that we have followed the evil imaginations of our own hearts, and that we have forgotten thee the God who made us, and rebelled against thee the rock of our salvation. We beseech thee, O Lord, to forgive all our offences, through that sacrifice made once for all for the forgiveness of the sins of the guilty. Blot out our sins from thy sight; deal not with us in thine anger; but in thy mercy and in thy loving-kindness justify us through the blood of sprinkling from all things from which we could not be justified by the law, and sanctify our hearts by thy Holy Spirit working within us to will and to do of thy good pleasure. Keep our eyes from tears, our feet from falling, our souls from death. Hear our petitions, O Lord. Answer them in thy great mercy, and do for us and to us exceeding abundantly according to thy compassion in Christ Jesus, to whom with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, be equal and eternal glory. May grace, mercy, and peace, from God the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, be with us all this day and evermore. Amen.

Monday Evening.

SCRIPTURE READING — 1 Peter iii.

O LORD, we humbly beseech thee to give us grace to carry our Sabbath-day lessons into our week-day duties; and may the grace that has appeared to us teach us to be all of one mind, to have compassion one of another, to love as brethren, to be pitiful, to be courteous. Forbid, O Lord, that we should render evil for evil, or railing for railing, to any man; but grant, we beseech thee, that by thy Holy Spirit dwelling within us, we may render blessing, and inherit a blessing. Give us grace, O Lord, to eschew evil, and to do good, to seek peace, and to ensue it. Let thine ear be open to our prayers, even

the silent prayers of the heart. Every day make us followers of that which is good. If we suffer, may it be for righteousness' sake only. May we sanctify thee the Lord in our hearts; may we be ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh a reason of the hope that is in us with meekness and fear. Give us a good conscience by giving us thy Holy Spirit. O Lord, may our sins be pardoned for the sake of Jesus who suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that he might bring us to thee the Lord. May we have the baptism of heart which is remission of sins, through Christ the Saviour. May his word preached be to us the wisdom of God, and the power of God unto salvation. This day keep us, guide us, bless us. Hold up our goings, that our footsteps slip not. And all we beg is for our Redeemer's sake. May the peace of God that passeth all understanding keep our hearts and minds through Jesus Christ our Lord, and may the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. Amen.

Tuesday Morning.

Scripture Reading—Jeremiah xix.

O Lord, the Ruler of heaven and of earth, we come unto thee, not as criminals to deprecate thy wrath, but as sons, though sinners, to ask thy pardon, and to seek thy blessing. We have all sinned against thee, O Lord; the ancients of the people and the ancients of the priests have all sinned against thee; and we and our fathers have forsaken thee, and have burned incense to other gods, and have done those things which thou hast not commanded, and spoken those things which thou hast forbidden. There is no health in us. We have gone astray from thee like lost sheep; we have done wickedly. May it please thee, O Lord, to blot out all our sins, through the precious blood of Jesus Christ the Saviour, and to justify

us freely through the righteousness of Him who was made sin for us, that we might be made the righteousness of God by him. May it please thee to cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit. Cause the bones thou hast broken to rejoice; restore our souls; cause goodness and mercy to follow us, we beseech thee, this day, and all the days of our pilgrimage upon earth. Feed us with food convenient for us; deliver us from all evil; guide us by thy counsel while we live; hold us by thy right hand; and when heart and flesh shall faint and fail, receive us to thy kingdom, and be thou the strength of our hearts and our portion for ever. Let our prayers come before thee as the morning incense, and let an answer be vouchsafed to us exceeding abundantly above all that we can either ask or think, for the sake of Him who died for us, and rose again; to whom, with thee, and the Holy Spirit, one God, we ascribe the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Tuesday Evening.

Scripture Reading — 1 Peter iv.

Lord of all power and might, thou that art the author of all good things, we thank thee that Jesus suffered for us, and that by his stripes we are healed. We thank thee that in him we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins. May we live as the monuments of such mercy; may we be followers of them who through faith have inherited the promises, and may we walk no longer in excess of wine, revellings, banquetings, idolatries, but honour thee with our souls and our bodies, which are thine. May we be sober, and watch unto prayer. Give us, O Lord, the grace of fervent charity among ourselves. May we rejoice to have the opportunity of using hospitality; may they who speak thy word, speak as becometh the oracles of God. O Lord, if we be partakers of Christ's sufferings, as we pray that we may be, give

us grace to rejoice therein with exceeding joy. If reproached for the name of Christ, may we feel happy; but let none of us suffer as a murderer, or a thief, or an evil-doer, and a busy-body in other men's matters; but if any of us suffer, may it be in the spirit, and after the manner, of a Christian. O Lord, we desire, according to thy will, to commit our souls unto thee, as unto a faithful Creator. We thank thee for all the mercies of another day; we pray that thou wouldest be pleased to keep us during the silent watches of the night. Let no evil come near us; give thine angels charge over us. And all we beg is for Jesus' name's sake. May grace, mercy, and peace, from God the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, one God, be with us all evermore. Amen.

Wednesday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Jeremiah xx.

Lord, to whom can we come but unto thee? thou hast the words of eternal life. Enter not into judgment with thy servants, O Lord, for in thy sight shall no man living be justified. God be merciful to us, and bless us, and cause thy face to shine upon us, that thy ways may be known upon earth, and thy saving health among all nations. O Lord, have mercy upon us, we beseech thee, according to thy loving-kindness; and for the sake of Jesus Christ the Saviour, blot out all our sins. We beseech thee, O Lord, who triest the reins, and seest the thoughts of the heart, to cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of the Holy Spirit. Change our nature, we beseech thee, by thine Almighty power. Strengthen what is weak, enlighten what is dark, and perfect thy strength in our weakness. O Lord, we humbly beseech thee to give us this day our daily bread; help us to hallow thy name, to do thy will, and to seek thy kingdom and thy righteousness. Deliver us from all evil, and lead us into no temptation. Leave

us not, nor forsake us, O God of our salvation. Let the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts be acceptable in thy sight. The Lord bless us, and keep us. The Lord lift up the light of his countenance upon us, and be gracious unto us; the Lord lift up the light of his countenance upon us and give us peace; through Christ the only Mediator, to whom be glory and honour evermore. Amen.

Wednesday Evening.

Scripture Reading—1 Peter v.

O Lord, grant, we beseech thee, that this evening we may be accepted of thee, through Jesus Christ, who suffered for us, and rose again for our justification. O Lord, pardon our sins through his peace-speaking blood; sanctify our hearts by that Holy Spirit whom he promised, and thus, not only entitle us to thy presence, but fit us for thine everlasting service. Look down upon all the ministers of the everlasting gospel, and enable them to feed the flock of God, taking the oversight thereof, not by constraint, but willingly; not for filthy lucre, but of a ready mind. May none of thy ministering servants attempt to be lords over thine heritage, but ensamples to the flock. O Lord, when the chief Shepherd shall appear, may many of them receive a crown of glory. May the younger submit themselves to the elder; may we all be clothed with humility, knowing that God giveth grace to the humble. May we humble ourselves under the mighty power of God, and cast all our care upon Him who careth for us. O Lord, make us sober and vigilant; help us to resist the wicked one; and, O thou God of grace, who hast called us to thine eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after that we have suffered a while, make us perfect, stablish, strengthen, settle us. Spread thy protecting presence over and around us this night. May no evil come near our dwelling. Enable us to lie down in peace and to rise in safety. Do thou, O Lord, sustain us. Bless all who

are dear to us. Water thy heritage with the dew of thy blessing. Extend thy kingdom. Hasten the coming of the Son of man. And unto Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, be glory and dominion, for ever and ever. Amen.

Thursday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Jeremiah xxi.

O Lord, we lift up our hearts to thee who art the hearer of prayer, and we desire to bless and praise thee for all the mercies of the night, for all the guidance of the day, for the supply of our returning wants, for our protection in our going out and coming in, in our lying down and in our rising up. In thee, O Lord, we live and move and have our being. Thou art the Fountain of our mercies, the only Author of all good things. To thee we come for the continuance of thy loving-kindness, and from thee we ask deliverance from all that is evil and hurtful. Be pleased to look upon us, O Lord, in thy mercy, and forgive us all the sins that thou seest and knowest, in the name of Him who is the Root and the Offspring of David, and who ever liveth to make intercession for us. Deliver us, O Lord, from plague, and pestilence, and famine, and the sword; and spare us, and have pity upon us. May we walk in the way of life, and shun the way of death; may we execute judgment, and do justly, and walk before thee as Abraham walked before thee of old, seeking thy glory, and desiring to live in the light of thy countenance perpetually. This day deliver us from all evil; satisfy all our wants; sanctify our hearts by thy Holy Spirit; enlighten our minds; guide us, and keep us, and bless us. Enable us always and every where to seek first thy kingdom and thy righteousness, that all other things may be added unto us. Give us grace to enable us to deny all ungodliness and worldly lusts, and to live soberly, righteously, and godly in this present world,

looking for that blessed hope the glorious appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ. Rule thou in the midst of us. Subdue our hearts. Purify our affections. Perfect thy strength in our weakness. Comfort them that mourn. Raise up them that be bowed down. Have mercy on all men. Make thy ways known upon earth, and thy saving health among all nations. Let the people praise thee, O God. Let all the people praise thee. And all we beg is for Jesus' name's sake. Amen.

Thursday Evening.

Scripture Reading — 2 Peter i.

O most merciful Father, we draw near to thee, as having obtained from thee precious faith through the righteousness of God our Saviour Jesus Christ. We pray that grace and peace may be multiplied to us through the knowledge of Jesus Christ and of our God. We pray that, having partaken of the Divine nature, and having received exceeding great and precious promises, we may show that the truth as it is in Jesus makes us to differ. May thy Holy Spirit help us to add to our faith virtue; and to virtue knowledge; and to knowledge temperance; and to temperance patience; and to patience godliness; and to godliness brotherly-kindness; and to brotherly-kindness charity. Blessed Lord, when this pilgrimage shall be closed, minister unto us abundantly an entrance into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. We bless thee, O God, that we have not followed cunningly devised fables, but have known in our hearts the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. We bless thee that we have a sure word of prophecy; may we take heed to it as unto a light that shineth in a dark place. We thank thee, O Lord, that Scripture is for all thy people, and not of any private origin, or of any private and exclusive application. We thank thee that holy men of old spake as they were

moved by the Holy Ghost, and that what they spoke by thy command has been committed to writing. May thy Holy Spirit help us to understand the Scriptures which thou hast inspired for our learning. Hear our petitions, forgive us our sins, sanctify our hearts, and keep us this night under the shadow of thy wings, for Christ's sake. Amen.

Friday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Jeremiah xxii. 1–18.

O Lord, who reignest over all, whose is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, who raisest up, and castest down to the ground; let thy blessing be upon us and ours this day and evermore. O thou who sittest upon the throne of David, guide us, we beseech thee, by thy perfect wisdom; protect us by thy mighty sceptre; and help us in all our ways to acknowledge thee, that thou mayest direct us. We humbly implore pardon for all our past sins, in the name and through the merits of Him who was made sin for us, that we might be made the righteousness of God by him. We humbly beseech thee to give us thy Holy Spirit to enable us to execute judgment and righteousness, and to do no wrong nor violence to the stranger, the fatherless, and the widow, nor to shed innocent blood. O Lord, do thou perfect thy strength in our weakness, and make thy grace, we beseech thee, to be sufficient for us. May the earth hear the word of thee the Lord, and all the nations thereof seek their joy, their peace, and their glory in thee. Raise up and send out faithful and holy messengers of the everlasting gospel. Keep us this day from all sin; defend us from all evil; guide us unto all good. Make the outgoings of the morning and the evening to rejoice before us. Feed us with food convenient for us. And all we ask is for our Redeemer's sake. Amen.

Our Father which art in heaven, &c.

Friday Evening.

Scripture Reading—2 Peter ii.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts be open and all desires known, teach us to pray as we ought. O Lord, grant, we earnestly beseech thee, that we may never deny the Lord that bought us. O gracious God, forgive all the sins which we know cleave to our consciences, and remember us according to thy great mercy in Christ Jesus. Lord, when we read of thy judgments, may we stand in awe, and sin not. When we read of the deliverances experienced by the saints, may we trust in thee, and not be afraid. O Lord, do thou deliver us out of temptation, and help us to walk before thee blameless in the midst of a corrupt generation. Have mercy upon those who have forsaken the right way, and are going astray, as wells without water, and clouds that are carried with a tempest. O Lord, deliver us from all the temptations of sin, and from all the wiles and crafts of the wicked one. Pour thy Holy Spirit into our hearts, we beseech thee. Keep us this night as beneath the shadow of thy wings. Pardon all the sins of the day, in the name of Jesus, our only atonement, and Priest, and altar, and King; remember not against us former transgressions, O Lord, but spare us, according to thy loving-kindness, and have mercy upon us, and bless us. And may grace, and mercy, and peace, from God the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, be with us all this night and evermore. Amen.

Saturday Morning.

Scripture Reading—Jeremiah xxiii. 1–16.

Heavenly Father, we, the sheep of thy pasture, and the creatures of thy hand, draw near to thee who art the Lord

God of Israel, and we beseech thee to send throughout thy whole church pastors according to thine own mind. In the name of Him who is the righteous Branch, we draw near to thee, and ask of thee graciously to pardon, bless, and keep us. Under him, O Lord, may we dwell safely; may his name be upon us; may we be made his righteousness, because he was made sin for us, and be justified and accepted at that day when thou shalt judge all the inhabitants of the earth. Give us thy Holy Spirit, O God, to lead and guide us this day in the way everlasting. Shed abroad thy peace in our hearts, we beseech thee, and help us to walk no more after the imaginations of our own hearts, but to walk in the ways of righteousness, which are ways of pleasantness and peace. Raise up prophets who shall prophesy the truth before thy people, and cause thy people to hear thy word, and to turn from the evil of their doings, and to do justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thee. Command a blessing upon the whole earth. Let the kingdoms of this world soon become the kingdoms of our God and of his Christ. Let the righteous Branch prosper and grow mightily; and all we ask is for the Redeemer's sake. Amen.

Saturday Evening.

Scripture Reading—2 Peter iii.

Lord, we thank thee that thou hast caused such precious truths to be written for our learning; may we be mindful of the words spoken by the holy prophets and the apostles of the Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Deliver us, O God, from the spirit of the scoffers of the last days, who deny or disregard the promise of the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ. May we have our loins girt and our lamps burning, waiting for his glorious advent. May we be patient; may our moderation be known unto all men; may many be brought to repentance every day. O Lord, may we be amongst those who shall be

found blameless and without rebuke at that day. Seeing that heaven and earth shall be dissolved, what manner of persons ought we to be in all holy conversation and godliness? Make us, O Lord, what thou seest we should be; may we not faint, looking for and hastening the coming of the day of the Lord. May we look with joy for a new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness. May we be found diligent, in peace, without spot and blameless. May we account the long-suffering of the Lord as salvation; and in order that we may understand the things which thou hast caused to be written for our learning, and may not wrest them, may we be no longer unlearned and unstable, but grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Hear our prayers, O Lord, for his sake; and in his blessed words we sum up our petitions, saying, Our Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, As it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, The power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

FORTY-EIGHTH WEEK.

Sabbath Morning.

Scripture Readings — Psalms xcix.; c.; ci.

O THOU who reignest in the heavens, and sittest between the cherubim, we bow our hearts before thee, and desire this day to worship thee in the beauty of holiness. O Lord, who art great in Zion, and high above all the people, may the nations praise thy great name, for it is holy; let the people worship at thy footstool, for thou art holy. May we exalt thee in our hearts, and worship thee, thou Holy One of Israel.

We desire to make a joyful noise on this thy day unto thee. Let all lands serve thee with gladness, and all nations come before thy presence with singing. O Lord, be thou still our God; make us thy people, and the sheep of thy pasture; lead us into thy gates with praise, and into thy courts with thanksgiving. Make us truly thankful to thee, and help us, through Christ, the one Mediator, to praise and magnify thy name for ever. O Lord, thou art good; thy mercy is everlasting. Let thy truth, which endureth to all generations, lead us and guide us. May we set no wicked thing before our eyes this day, but walk within our house with a perfect heart. Let thine eyes be upon the faithful of the land, and help us to walk in a perfect way before thee. Pardon our sins. We would wash our hands in the blood of innocency. Sanctify our hearts; cleanse the thoughts of our hearts. In thy sanctuary this day be with those who speak, and give them thy presence, and with those who hear, and command on them thy blessing; and let the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts be acceptable in thy sight this day, through Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour. Amen.

Sabbath Evening.

Scripture Reading — Psalm cii. 1–22.

O Lord, hear our prayer, we beseech thee, and let our cry come before thee. Hide not thy face, O Lord; deliver us in the day of trouble, and be our refuge and our strength when we call upon thee. O Lord, we confess that our days are as a shadow that declineth, and that we wither away like the grass. We are also sinful in thy sight, and have broken thy holy law, and offended against thy great majesty. Arise, O Lord, and have mercy upon thy people. Let the set time to deliver thine ancient people draw near. Regard us, we beseech thee, and give us the blessing of them that seek the good of thy chosen. Build up Zion, O Lord. Speedily appear in thy

glory; regard the prayer of the destitute; despise not our prayers. Let the heathen fear thy name from the rising of the sun to the going down of the same, and let all the kings of the earth speedily behold thy glory. Look down this day from the height of thy sanctuary, we beseech thee, and hear the groaning of the prisoner, and loose those that are appointed to death. Give power, we beseech thee, to a preached gospel throughout all the earth, and hasten that blessed day when the people shall be gathered together, and all the kingdoms of the earth, to serve thee. Let thy name be declared, O Lord, in Jerusalem, and let thy greatness, and thy mercy, and thy loving-kindness, be experienced by all people. Blessed Redeemer, who hast laid the foundations of the earth, and of whose hands the heavens are the work, build up thy church, we beseech thee. Thou who art its foundation, add to it daily living stones, and hasten the day when all shall be made glad in thee, and the whole earth shall be filled with thy glory, and all the ends of it shall magnify thy name. We thank thee for all the privileges and the blessings of another day; forgive all our sins through Christ Jesus; deepen in our hearts solemn impressions. May we grow in grace and fitness for thy kingdom; and when heart and flesh shall faint and fail, be thou the strength of our hearts and our portion for ever. We ask all for the sake of Him who died for us; and unto Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, we ascribe the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

Monday Morning.

SCRIPTURE READING—Jeremiah xxiii. 23–40.

O LORD, who art a God at hand, and not a God afar off, we come into thy presence on this the first morning of the working days of the week, and bless and praise thee for all our privileges and our mercies, temporal, spiritual, personal, and

social. We thank thee for health, strength, and daily bread. We thank thee for minds enlightened by thy truth in some degree, and hearts impressed by thy grace; and we pray that we may be deeply thankful to thee for every blessing that we have, knowing that we deserve none, and have justly forfeited all. We thank thee above all that our eyes have seen thy salvation, and that our ears have heard the joyful sound. Pardon our unworthiness and sinfulness through the blood of the atonement. Renew our hearts more and more by thy holy and blessed Spirit. Create in us clean hearts. This day keep our feet from falling, our eyes from tears, and our souls from death. May we seek first thy kingdom and thy righteousness, that all other things may be added unto us. Deliver us from all evil; lead us into no temptation; prosper us in our work and employment in the world; give us daily bread; feed us with food convenient for us: and when heart and flesh shall faint and fail, be thou the strength of our heart, and our portion for ever. Enable us in all our ways to acknowledge thee, and to set thee before us, and do thou graciously direct, and guide, and govern us. Let grace, mercy, and peace, from God the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, rest and abide with us all this day and evermore. All that we ask for this day and every day is in the name and through the mediation of our only Advocate and Saviour. Amen.

Monday Evening.

Scripture Reading — 1 John i.

O Lord, we rejoice to know that the gospel of Christ Jesus is that which has been heard from the beginning, and that its blessed Author, the only Saviour, has been seen, and looked upon, and handled. We thank thee for him, the Word of everlasting life, and that he was manifested in the fulness of the times, and that we have in him eternal life. O Lord, we bless and praise thee that apostles have preached what prophets

predicted, that Christ Jesus is the only Saviour, and his name alone mighty through faith to the pardon of sins, and the deliverance of them that be in darkness and in bondage. O Lord, may our joy be full; may the light of truth shine into our minds. Give us, O Lord, fellowship, we beseech thee, with thee the Father, and with thy Son Jesus Christ. Give us grace this day not to walk in darkness, but to do the truth, and to live in fellowship with him. We confess our sinfulness in thy sight, and that we have left undone those things that we ought to have done, and that we have done those things that we ought not to have done, and that there is no health in us; but we beseech thee, O Lord, according to thine infinite mercy and compassion, to forgive us our sins, and for this reason only, that the blood of Jesus Christ thy Son cleanseth us from all sin. We would not hide our sins, or say that we have no sins, and so deceive ourselves; but we rejoice in the privilege of confessing our sins, and we praise and bless thee that thou art faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Fulfil all thy promises; blot out all our iniquities, and accept of us in the Saviour's name. Guide us by thy good Spirit; keep our feet from falling, our eyes from tears, our souls from death. Help us to seek first thy kingdom and thy righteousness, that all other things may be added unto us. Give us daily bread, feed us above all with living bread. O Lord, may we rejoice to spread everywhere the joyful sound, and to make known to others those great blessings which we ourselves have felt so sweet. God be merciful to us, and bless us, and cause thy face to shine upon us, that thy ways may be known upon earth, and thy saving health upon all nations. Let the people praise thee, O God. Let all the people praise thee. Let the earth yield her increase, and God, our own God, do thou bless us. Bless our President and all others in authority. Bless all ranks and degrees of men in our land. For all we ask is for Jesus' sake. And to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, one God, be equal and eternal glory. Amen.

Tuesday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Jeremiah xxiv.

O Lord, who dwellest in the heavens, and art high above all, whose word endureth for ever, we humbly beseech thee to bless us, and be merciful to us, and cause thy face to shine upon us, that thy ways may be known upon earth, and thy saving health among all nations. O Lord, let thine eyes be upon us, we beseech thee, for good, pardoning all the sins that thou seest and knowest to cleave to our consciences, and renewing and sanctifying our hearts by thy Holy Spirit, making us more and more like Him who is our great example, and who lived and died for us. O Lord, build us up, we beseech thee, into a spiritual house, a holy priesthood, a peculiar people. Make us trees of righteousness, the planting of the Lord, that bring forth their fruit in due season, and whose leaves do not wither. O Lord, give us thy Holy Spirit, we beseech thee; give us a heart to know and feel, and rejoice while we know and feel, that thou art the Lord. Make us, O Lord, thy people, we beseech thee, and be thou our God. Strengthen us with thy right hand; prosper us with thy blessing; guide us by thy heavenly counsel; never leave us, never forsake us. Save us, O Lord, from being a reproach and a proverb among the nations. Deliver thine ancient people the Jews from being any more a taunt and a curse in all places whither thou hast driven them. O Lord, keep us this day without sin. Pour into our hearts thy holy and blessed Spirit. Be thou a voice on our right hand and on our left, saying, This is the way, walk ye in it. Hold up our goings that our footsteps slip not. Save us from sin, and from all its issues. And from sword, and famine, and pestilence, and from evil and mischief, and from the crafts and assaults of the wicked one, and from thy wrath and everlasting ruin, graciously deliver us, and all who are near and dear to us, this day and every day, through Jesus Christ, the only atonement; to

whom, with thee, and the Holy Spirit, one God, be equal and eternal praise. Amen.

May the peace of God that passeth all understanding keep our hearts and minds through Jesus Christ our Lord; and may the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Ghost, rest and abide with us all evermore. Amen.

Tuesday Evening.

Scripture Reading—1 John ii. 1-27.

O Lord, we praise and bless thee that we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. May he be to us the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only, but for the sins of the whole world. Help us, O Lord, to keep thy holy word. May the love of God be perfected in us; may we love one another. O Lord, help us, we beseech thee, to show our love to Jesus by exhibiting our love to one another. Heavenly Father, give us grace from on high not to love the world, nor the things that are in the world. Help us, we beseech thee, to crucify the flesh with its affections and lusts, to renounce the evil of the world, the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life. May we be in the world, but not of it, knowing that the world passeth away, while he that doeth the will of God abideth for ever. O Lord, give us, we entreat thee, that unction from the Holy One which enables us to know all things. May the promise which thou hast given us, even eternal life, be fulfilled in us. May no man draw us aside from the love of the truth, and from obedience to thee. Keep us this night without sin; order all our goings in this life; feed us with food convenient for us; bless ours, and make them thine; give them thy Spirit, and grant that we may at that day, when Christ shall come the second time without sin unto salvation, have confidence, and not be ashamed before him at his coming. Let these the words of our mouths and

the meditations of our hearts be acceptable in thy sight, through Jesus Christ the Redeemer. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with us all evermore. Amen.

Wednesday Morning.

Scripture Reading —Jeremiah xxv. 1–14.

Enter not into judgment with thy servants, O Lord, for in thy sight no man living can be justified. O Lord, we thank thee for thy goodness, and all thy mercies and blessings day by day vouchsafed to us. We thank thee for prophets and preachers, and ministers and teachers, rising early to instruct us, and to guide us unto thee. O Lord, pardon them who have not hearkened, nor inclined their ear to hear, and give them hearts henceforth to turn unto thee, every one from his evil way, and from the evil of his doings, that they may dwell in the land that thou hast given us. O Lord, other gods have had dominion over us, but now we would seek to serve thee alone. We earnestly beseech thee to continue in the midst of our land the blessings which we have forfeited by sin, and which we have not used as we ought to have done. Take not away the voice of mirth, and the voice of gladness, the voice of the bridegroom, and the voice of the bride, the sound of the millstones, and the light of the candle; but continue these thy providential gifts, not according to our deserts, but according to thine own infinite compassion in Jesus Christ the Son of thy love, and the sacrifice for our sins. O Lord, spare us, we beseech thee, and recompense us not according to our deeds and the work of our hands, but forgive us, accept of us, and acquit us, through Christ the only Saviour. Be with us this day, and guide us in all our ways, and hold up our goings that our footsteps slip not. Be our Shepherd, O Lord, and our guide, and our support. Bless our country, and visit it not for its sins and offences against thee. Bless abundantly our

rulers. Surround us with wise and good advisers, men that fear thee and hate covetousness. Let righteousness exalt our nation. May pure religion pervade its people and exalt it highly. And all we beg is for our only Redeemer's name's sake. Amen.

Wednesday Evening.

Scripture Reading — 1 John iii.

Thanks be to thee, O Father, for the love wherewith thou hast loved us, in that thou hast called us, and made us the sons of God. O Lord, may we show ourselves to be thy sons before the world, and may we rejoice in the blessed hope that when Christ shall appear we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. May all connected with us be begotten again to this living hope, and be made the sons of God, heirs of God, and joint heirs with Christ. May every one who has this hope in his heart purify himself even as Christ is pure. O Lord, may the Son of God be manifested to us in all his power and glory in destroying the works of the wicked one. O Lord, may we have evidence within us, and proofs without us, that we have passed from death unto life. Heavenly Father, forbid that our hearts should condemn us. Give us perfect trust and confidence in Him in whom alone we have pardon and forgiveness, and in whose name we ask all, assured that we shall receive from him the things that are pleasing in his sight, and conducive to our true happiness and joy. Lord, let thy mercy be upon us this day. Fill us with trust in thee. Deliver us, we beseech thee, from all that is evil; may thy image and likeness day by day be developed in our character. Make us living epistles written by the Holy Ghost, witnesses for Christ, blessings to our brethren, useful to the world, and finally heirs of thy kingdom. Hear us, and help us, and bless us, for the Redeemer's sake. Amen. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God our Father, and the communion of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. Amen.

Thursday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Jeremiah xxv. 15–37.

If any man sin we have an advocate with the Father; and he is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only, but for the sins of the whole world. O Lord, who art Lord of lords, and King of kings, whose is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, hear us in heaven thy dwelling-place, we beseech thee, and forgive us, and have mercy upon us. O Lord, when thy judgments are abroad, may the inhabitants of the earth learn wisdom. Bring not evil upon us, as we have deserved; spare us, good Lord, spare thy people redeemed with precious blood, and be not angry with us for ever. Change our hearts by thy Holy Spirit working within us that which is pure, and holy, and peaceable, in thy sight. Strengthen us for every duty that devolves upon us in the world; fit and prepare us for every trial that may be assigned to us in thy providence, and enable us to run the race set before us, looking unto Jesus the author and the finisher of our faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is now set down at thy right hand. Look in mercy upon thine ancient people the Jews, and deliver them from being a desolation, and an astonishment, and a hissing, and a curse, as they are this day. Turn the hearts of the fathers to the children; pour down thy Holy Spirit upon Jew and Gentile. Let the Redeemer come to Mount Zion, and shine before his ancients gloriously, the light of the Gentiles, and the glory of his people Israel. Keep us this day without sin. Defend us from every peril. Endue us with thy grace. Perfect thy strength in our weakness. Hear us, O Lord, and help us, for our Redeemer's name's sake. Amen.

Thursday Evening.

Scripture Reading — 1 John iv.

O Lord, give us wisdom from on high, and enable us to bring all opinions, judgments, and creeds to the law and to the testimony. May we be preserved, while many false prophets are in the world. May we confess with our mouths what we cherish with our hearts, that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh, and deliver us from that spirit of antichrist which is in the world. Consume the man of sin with the Spirit of thy mouth, and let him speedily be destroyed by the brightness of the Redeemer's coming. O God, give us thy Holy Spirit, to be in us greater than any that can be opposed to us in the world. May we have grace to love one another, and thus to show that we are born of God. We thank thee, that thou didst so love us, that thou didst send thy Son to be the propitiation for our sins. We thank thee that thou hast promised thy Holy Spirit to us; may that Divine Comforter dwell within us; and, O thou who art love, enable us to love thee with all our heart, and strength, and mind; and may all fear be cast out of our hearts. May we grow in grace and in love to thee by the study of the greatness and sovereignty of thy love to us. Keep us this day, O Lord, without sin; order all our goings; help us to walk before thee, and to be perfect. Look upon all connected with us; give us health, if it please thee; make thy grace sufficient for us; as our day is, let our strength be. Increase the number of faithful evangelical ministers in every section of thy church universal. Give them grace faithfully and fully to testify against error, and bless what they say to the conversion of souls, and the glory of thy name. Let grace, and mercy, and truth, from God the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, be with us and ours this night and evermore. And all we ask is for our Redeemer's sake. Amen.

Friday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Jeremiah xxvi. 1–21.

O Lord, help us, we earnestly beseech thee, to listen to thy word which thou sendest from thy presence as a lamp to our feet, and a light to our path. Give us grace, Almighty God, to hearken unto thee, and to turn every man from his evil way, and do thou repent of the evil which thou didst purpose against us because of the evil of our doings. Give us grace to hearken unto thee, and to walk in the law that is set before us, and to hearken to thy servants the ministers of the gospel, and to lay their words up in our hearts, and to practise them in our lives. O Lord, may all the ministers of the sanctuary hear, and fear, and love, and serve thee. May all the kings of the earth, and all the princes of the world, give homage unto thee. Give us grace, O Lord, to amend our ways, and to obey the voice of the Lord our God, and to walk before thee continually. Keep us this day by thy mighty power; preserve us, we entreat thee, according to thy great mercy; deliver our eyes from tears, and our souls from death, and our feet from falling. Perfect thy strength in our weakness; make thy grace sufficient for us. Command thy blessing upon our basket and upon our store. Give us daily bread. Let the words of our mouths, and the meditations of our hearts, O Lord, be acceptable in thy sight, through Jesus Christ, our strength and our Redeemer. The Lord bless us, and keep us. The Lord lift up his countenance upon us, and be gracious to us. The Lord lift up the light of his countenance upon us, and give us peace through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Friday Evening.

Scripture Reading — 1 John v.

O Lord, our Father and our God, we believe that Jesus is the Christ, and we trust and believe that we are born again of thee. O Lord, help us to show that we love thee with all our heart by keeping thy commandments, and evermore feeling that thy commandments are not grievous. O God, strengthen us to overcome all that is in the world, through faith in Christ Jesus, the Son of God. Give us grace, O Lord, to believe on thy Son. Give us eternal life; deliver us from all evil, we beseech thee; strengthen us for all that is good; prepare us for thy kingdom and glory. Give us grace to believe, O Lord, with all our hearts and without doubt on the only begotten Son of God. May thy Holy Spirit enable us to know that we have eternal life. We ask of thee all that we need for each day and for our whole life, assured that thou hearest us. O Lord, grant, we beseech thee, that we may know assuredly Him that is true, and that we are in Him that is true, even in Jesus, the true God and eternal life. Keep us, O Lord, from all idols, from the lust of the eyes, the pride of life, and the love of this present world. May we die unto sin, and live unto righteousness; and may the life that we now live be the life of the Son of God, who gave himself for us. Hear our prayers, forgive us, and bless us for His name's sake. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. Amen.

Saturday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Jeremiah xxvii. 1–18.

O Lord, we will arise, and go to thee our Father in heaven, and we will say, Father, we have sinned against heaven, and in thy sight, and we are no more worthy to be called thy sons. But unto thee, the Lord our God, belong mercies and forgivenesses, though we have rebelled against thee; thou art slow to wrath, and of great compassion; may we hearken only to thy word, and bring all our difficulties to the law and to the testimony. Deliver us from all delusion and error, from all that is evil and untrue. Enlighten our minds in the knowledge of the truth as it is in Jesus; open our hearts cordially to receive it. Help us to enjoy its comfort, to taste its sweetness, to embody and illustrate it in our walk, and converse, and conduct in the world. Pour down thy Holy Spirit upon thine ancient people the Jews; hasten the fulness of the Gentiles. May thy name be hallowed by every heart in every land from the rising of the sun to the going down of the same; may thy kingdom, which is righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost, come speedily; may thy will be done in us, and by us, and through us, even as it is done in heaven. Give us, we beseech thee, day by day our daily bread; feed us, above all, with the living bread that cometh down from heaven. Forgive us our trespasses through the atonement of Jesus, and help us from the heart to forgive them that sin against us. Deliver us from all evil, and from sin, the greatest evil. Lead us into no temptation in which we shall not be able to triumph. Hear these our prayers in the name of Jesus; and unto Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, one God, we ascribe the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Saturday Evening.

Scripture Reading — 2 John.

Lord, we thank thee that thou hast caused all Scripture to be inspired, and written for our learning; may we know the truth; may the truth make us free; may the truth dwell in us, and be with us for ever and ever. O heavenly Father, let grace, and mercy, and peace, from God the Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ, in truth and in love, be with us. May we be found each day, even all the days of our pilgrimage upon earth, walking in truth, and obeying the commandments of our Father. May we walk after his commandments, and thus show that we love him. O Lord, may we not lose those things which we have wrought, but receive of grace a full reward. May we look to ourselves, and watch, and be sober; and let our moderation be known unto all men. May we never forget that the Lord is at hand. O Lord, forbid that we should transgress thy holy law, or renounce thy true and sacred doctrine. May we walk with them that love thee, and court the society of them who live unto thee. Forbid that we should be partakers of the evil deeds of any. Do thou give us this day daily bread; graciously deliver us from all evil; lead us into no temptation; help us to hallow thy name, to seek thy kingdom and thy glory, that all other things may be added unto us; and to do thy will, and in all our ways to acknowledge thee, that thou mayest direct our steps. Thanks be to thee, O Lord, for all thy mercies, benefits, and blessings during the past. Grace, mercy, and peace be with us in days to come; and at length may we be admitted into thy presence where there is fulness of joy, and where there are pleasures for evermore. Let the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts be acceptable in thy sight, O Lord, our strength and our Redeemer, for Christ's sake. Our Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy

will be done in earth, As it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, The power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

FORTY-NINTH WEEK.

Sabbath Morning.

Scripture Reading — Psalm ciii.

Lord, to whom can we come but unto thee? thou hast the words of eternal life. We desire to draw near to thee in the name of the only Mediator, with the voice of thanksgiving, of supplication, and of prayer. For the sake of Him who died for us upon the cross, and ever liveth to make intercession for us, forgive us all our iniquities, we beseech thee. Heal our diseases, spiritual, moral, and mental, by thy Holy Spirit. Redeem our life from destruction, and, according to thy great compassion, crown us with loving-kindness and with tender mercies. Satisfy our mouths with good things, we beseech thee. Renew our youth like the eagle's; execute righteousness and judgment for all that are oppressed; make known thy ways unto us, as thou didst unto thy servants of old; and show thyself in our happy experience merciful and gracious, slow to anger and plenteous in mercy. Chide not always, O Lord; keep not thine anger for ever; deal not with us according to our sins, nor reward us according to our iniquities. As the heaven is high above the earth, so great let thy mercy be toward us. As far as the east is from the west, so far, through the blood of sprinkling, remove our transgressions from us. Like as a father pitieth his children, so do thou pity us. O Lord, remember that we are dust, that our days are as grass;

let thy mercy which is from everlasting to everlasting be upon us, and let thy righteousness be unto children's children. Fit us day by day for thy presence; go with us this day into thy courts with praise, and into thy gates with thanksgiving; help us to worship before thee in the beauty of holiness. Let the whole earth speedily be filled with thy glory, and the kingdoms of this world become the kingdoms of our God and of his Christ. Hear us, help us, and bless us, for the Redeemer's sake. Amen.

Sabbath Evening.

Scripture Reading—Psalm civ. 1–26.

O Lord, we bless and praise thee, for thou art very great. Thou art clothed with honour and majesty; thou coverest thyself with light as with a garment; thou stretchest out the heavens like a curtain. O Lord, who hatest nothing that thou hast made, make clean our hearts within us, we beseech thee. Let thine angels minister to us; let all things work for our good. Provide for us oil that maketh the face to shine, bread which strengthens the heart, and wine that maketh glad the heart of man. O Lord, may we see thee in creation, and in thy manifold works, the Maker of all, and the Governor of all. O Lord, we wait upon thee; do thou give us our meat in due season. Open thy hand and fill all flesh with good. Send forth thy Spirit, and renew the face of the earth. Shine upon thy church, lighten its dark places, make its desert places glad; may thy people sing unto thee the Lord, and sing praises unto their God, while they have a being. We thank thee that this day we have heard of thee, not only in creation, but in Christ our Redeemer. We thank thee for the joyful sound; we thank thee for the peace of thy kingdom; we thank thee for a church in which to worship thee, and for the means of grace, and for the hopes of glory. May the good seed sown this day be watered of thee, and made to grow until the harvest. O Lord, our meditation of thee shall be sweet; we will

be glad in thee the Lord; we will sing praises to thee whilst we have a being. Bless the Lord, O our souls, and all that is within us, bless his holy name: praise ye the Lord. The Lord bless us, and keep us: the Lord lift up his countenance upon us, and be gracious to us: the Lord lift up the light of his countenance upon us, and give us peace, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Monday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Jeremiah xxviii.

O Lord, enter not into judgment with us, for in thy sight no man living can be justified. Lift upon us the light of thy countenance, and be merciful to us, and cause thy face to shine upon us. Let our prayer come before thee as the morning incense, and the lifting up of our hands as acceptable sacrifices. Pardon all our transgressions both in thought, in word, and in deed, in the name and through the mediation of Him who died for us, and rose again, and who ever liveth to make intercession for us, May thy Spirit take of the things of Christ, and show them unto us, and enable us to count all but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of him. Deliver our land, we beseech thee, from all evil, and pestilence, and plague; and deepen in the hearts of our people a sense of true religion, and spread throughout our land the knowledge of the truth as it is in Christ Jesus. May the kingdoms of this world soon cease to trust in a lie, or to give homage unto idols, or to listen to prophets who prophesy, Peace, peace, when there is no peace; and become the kingdom of our God, and of his Christ. Arise, and have mercy upon Zion. Let the set time to favour thine ancient people draw near. Prepare a way for the kings from the sun-rising, and hasten their return to the land of their fathers; and make Jerusalem a joy and a praise over all the earth. Lord, lift upon us the light of thy counte-

nance; guide us in all our ways; deliver us from all evil; lead us into no temptation; keep us under the shadow of thy wings; provide for us daily bread; give us, above all, the living bread that cometh down from heaven; and all we ask is in the name of our only Redeemer, to whom, with thee, and the ever-blessed Spirit, one God, be eternal praise and glory. Amen.

Monday Evening.

Scripture Reading — 3 John.

O Lord, we draw near to thee with the voice of thanksgiving and praise at the close of another day, and bless thee that thou hast kept us in all our ways, and preserved us in peace, in health, and happiness, until now. We pray, above all things, that the soul of every one in this family may prosper and be in health. We pray that we may grow in grace, and in likeness to our blessed Lord, as we grow in days and in years. May it be our joy to walk in the truth, and to hear that all connected with us walk in the truth also. O Lord, give us grace from on high ever to follow that which is good, and to avoid that which is evil. Give us grace, as thy children, to do good, and to show that we are the sons of God. May we have a good report of all thy church, and be strengthened by thy people in our journey onward to Zion. May we go forth for thy name's sake to suffer, if needs be, and to sacrifice all we have to promote thy will, and to honour thy name. O Lord, convert all that be in error. Turn the hearts of them that prate against thy people with malicious words, and hasten that day when all thy people shall be righteous. If in the world we have tribulation, in Christ may we have peace. May we be fellow-workers with thy people, and fellow-heirs of thy kingdom. Grace, mercy, and peace, be on all the people of God. Hear our prayers, we beseech thee, on behalf of all that are in darkness and the shadow of death, and let the Sun of righteousness arise and shine upon them with healing under

his wings. Be with all that are in trouble of any kind, and mercifully deliver them. Look in great love and sympathy on all who suffer for righteousness' sake. Give to all connected with us by any of the ties of this life, to have a good report of all, but especially of the truth itself. Keep us this night under thy protection and in thy peace. All we beg is for our blessed Redeemer's sake. Amen.

Tuesday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Jeremiah xxix. 1–19.

O Lord, we come to thee as the hearer of prayer. Iniquities prevail against us; but as for our transgressions, we are sure thou wilt purge them away. Give us grace, O Lord, to fear thee all the day long, and in all our ways to acknowledge thee, and do thou graciously direct our steps. May we build houses, and dwell in them; and plant gardens, and eat the fruit of them, with thankfulness to thee, the author of all good. May we seek the peace of the city where we dwell, and in the peace thereof grant that we may have peace. Remove the prophets who prophesy falsely in thy name, and that are not sent by thee. Increase the number of them who speak faithfully thy truth, and make known thy word and will. Be found of us, O Lord, when we seek thee. Gather thy people from all nations, and from all places, and hasten that day when thy church shall appear, the general assembly of the first-born, the praise and the joy of all the earth. Look upon thine ancient people, who have been persecuted with sword, and famine, and pestilence, and have been a curse, and an astonishment, and a hissing, and a reproach; and gather them from amongst all the nations of the earth whither thou hast driven them, and turn their hearts unto thee; and let the Sun of righteousness rise upon them with healing under his wings. Hasten that blessed day when the whole earth shall be filled with thy

praise. O Lord, keep us this day. Bless us and ours with the blessing that maketh truly rich. And all that we ask is in the name of Him who gave himself for us. Amen.

Tuesday Evening.

Scripture Reading—Jude.

Mercy, and peace, and love be multiplied upon us from thee, O God our Father, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant that we may always be ready to contend earnestly for the faith which was once delivered to the saints. May we love the truth. May we hold it fast. O do thou save thy church from ungodly men, who turn the grace of God into lasciviousness, and deny the only Lord God, even our Lord Jesus Christ. O Lord, we earnestly beseech thee to purify thy church universal of the spots in its feasts of charity; remove from its walls the clouds that are without water, and the trees that are without fruit, and that cumber the ground. O Lord, forbid that we should go in the way of Cain, or run greedily after the error of Balaam for reward, or perish in the gainsaying of Core. Give us grace, O thou who only art able, to build up ourselves in our most holy faith, always praying in the Holy Ghost. Keep us, O Lord, in the love of God; give us grace to look for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life. May we have our lamps burning, and may we be daily looking for the coming of the Lord, who cometh with ten thousand of his saints to execute judgment upon all. Hear these our petitions; accept of our humble and hearty thanksgivings for all the mercy, preservation, provision, and protection of the day. All we ask is in the name of Him who ever liveth to make intercession for us. And unto Him who is able to keep us from falling, and to present us faultless before the presence of his glory with exceeding joy; to the only wise God our Saviour, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, both now and evermore. Amen.

Wednesday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Jeremiah xxx. 1–17.

Arise, O Lord, and have mercy upon Zion. Bring again the captivity of thy people Israel and Judah. Cause them to return to the land that thou gavest to their fathers, that they may possess it. O Lord, grant, we beseech thee, that we and they together may serve the Lord our God, and the root and offspring of David, our King. Save us, O Lord, from afar, and our seed from the land of their captivity. Be with us, O Lord, to save us; correct us in measure; spare us, O Lord; and forgive Jew and Gentile their manifold transgressions against thee, the Lord God of Israel. Have mercy on our dwelling-places, O Lord. Out of them may there proceed thanksgiving, and the voice of them that make merry. Make us thy people; be thou our God. Teach us thy will, and write thy statutes upon our hearts. May we never forget thee, or forsake thee, or go after other gods, or place our trust in them that are no gods. Give us grace to live unto thee who hast loved us, and given thy dear Son to die for us. This day provide for all our wants; satisfy the desires of every living thing; feed us with food convenient for us; order all our goings; direct our steps; be merciful to all ours, here or elsewhere, and knit together in one holy and happy brotherhood all that love the Lord Jesus Christ. Hear us, heavenly Father, in heaven thy dwelling-place. Forgive us all our sins, even the sins of our solemn things, and do to us, and for us, above all that we can either ask or think, in the name of Him who is our Shield, our Advocate, and our Redeemer; and unto Him who is able to keep us from falling, and to present us faultless before thy presence in glory with exceeding joy, be all honour and praise. Amen.

Wednesday Evening.

Scripture Reading — Revelation i.

O Lord, we thank and praise thee that thou hast revealed, not only what Christ has done, but what he is about to do. We thank thee for the testimony of Jesus Christ, and we pray that we may richly enjoy the blessing of him that readeth, and of them that hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written therein. O Lord, make us kings and priests unto thee, even the Father, through Him who loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood; to whom be glory and dominion for ever and ever. We bless thee that he cometh with clouds, and that every eye shall see him. O Lord, may we cherish this hope, and be found amongst those who are his at the day of his appearing. O Lord, shine into our minds, and give us the light of the knowledge of thee in the face of Jesus Christ the Saviour. O Lord, turn our hearts unto thee, and help us to trust in Him who is the First and the Last, Alpha and Omega, the Beginning and the End. We bless thee that he died; we bless thee that he is alive for evermore. We thank thee that he alone hath the keys of the grave, and of death. May his cross be our trust; may his crown be our hope; may we be found an acceptable people, for his sake. Give us grace to count all but loss for the excellency of him, and to be ready to part with all, that we may win him and be found in him, not having our own righteousness, but his. Hear these our prayers, O Lord, in the name of Him which is, and which was, and which is to come, the Almighty. May we ever be in the Spirit, especially on the Lord's day; and may grace be unto us, and peace, from Him which is, and which was, and which is to come, and from thy Holy Spirit, the seven-fold Spirit which is before the throne, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Thursday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Jeremiah xxxi. 1–14.

O Lord, may we find grace of thee who art the Fountain of grace, and rest in thee the Rock of ages. We praise thee, we bless thee, we magnify thy name, because thou hast loved us with an everlasting love. Therefore with loving-kindness do thou draw us. May we sing with gladness, and shout amongst the nations, because the Lord hath saved his people, the remnant of Israel. Lead thine ancient people, O Lord, with weeping and with supplication. Cause them to walk by the rivers of waters in a straight way, wherein they shall not stumble. Let a great company return to Zion with songs, and joy, and everlasting rejoicing. Make Jerusalem again the joy of the whole earth. O Lord, do thou chasten us, but in measure. Do thou teach us, thou who teachest savingly and to profit, and make us a blessing to all who are connected with us. Satiate the souls of thy ministering servants with fatness; satisfy the hearts of thy people with goodness. Never leave us, gracious Father, never forsake us. Be our guide through all the perplexities of this present life; be our consolation at a dying hour; let the rod and staff of the Son of Jesse guide us through the valley of the shadow of death; and at thy right hand may we be accepted, and enter upon joys that are for ever and ever. O Lord, hear our petitions for all that be sick, and sorrowful, and suffering, for all that are in bonds, or in perplexity, or suffering persecution of any kind. Do thou deliver them that are doomed to die. Raise up the bowed down; strengthen them that do stand; have mercy upon all men; for all we ask is through Him who is our Prince and our Redeemer, in whom alone we hope for eternal life, through whom alone we ask for every blessing, and in whose righteousness alone we desire to stand before thee, and to be accepted of thee. And unto Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, be all the glory and the honour. Amen.

Thursday Evening.

Scripture Reading — Revelation ii.

O Lord, we thank thee for thy faithful lessons which thou hast made known to us and to all the churches of the Lord Jesus Christ. O Lord, may we repent and so do the first works. Spare us, and remove not our candlestick out of his place. Give us patience, and labour, and faithfulness, for Christ's name's sake. May we enjoy the privilege promised by our blessed Lord of eating of the tree of life which is in the midst of the paradise of God. O Lord, make us rich in grace, heirs of the kingdom. May we fear neither life nor death, but remember that all things are ours, because we are Christ's. Make us faithful unto death, and give us in the end a crown of life. May we be more than conquerors through Him that loved us, and not be hurt of the second death. May thy Holy Spirit teach our hearts these precious truths. O Lord, fight not against us, we beseech thee, with the sword of thy mouth, but forgive us our works wherein we have come short of what thou requirest, and help us to hold fast the name of Jesus and not to deny the faith. May we repent of all that is evil in us and ours, and do thou give us in thine own good time to eat of the hidden manna, and grant us a white stone and the new name written on it, for the sake of Christ the Saviour. Amen.

Friday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Jeremiah xxxi. 27–40.

Let the days come speedily, O Lord, when all thy children shall be righteous, and all thy people shall be taught of thee. Visit not us, O Lord, for the transgressions of our fathers;

but according to the mercies and the provisions of thy new covenant, save us, help us, and deliver us. Pardon all our transgressions, and the iniquity of our solemn things, through Him who is our only sacrifice, propitiation, and atonement, and in whom thou art well pleased. O Lord, give us thy Holy Spirit, we beseech thee. May he dwell in our hearts; may he put thy law in our inward parts, may he write it upon our hearts, and reveal to us this blessed relation, that thou art our God, and that we are thy people. Hasten that blessed day, which thou hast promised, when they shall no more teach every man his neighbour, and every man his brother, saying, Know the Lord, but when all shall know thee, from the least even to the greatest. Forgive all the iniquities of thy people, and remember their sins no more. O thou, who givest the sun for a light by day, and the ordinances of the moon and of the stars for a light by night, who dividest the sea when the waves thereof roar, be thou our refuge and our strength, and our strong deliverer; and let not thy mercies cease from us, nor thy blessing be withdrawn from ours, while the sun and the moon endure. O Lord, help us this day in all we undertake; give us grace to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thee. In all our ways may we feel, "Thou, God, seest us." Deliver us from all evil, lead us into no temptation, command thy blessing on us, let the peace that passeth understanding keep us. Perfect thy strength in our weakness, and make thy grace sufficient for us. All we ask is through Christ the Saviour. Amen.

Friday Evening.

Scripture Reading — Revelation iii.

O Lord, forbid, we beseech thee, that we should have a name to live whilst we are dead. Give us grace to be watchful, and to strengthen those things that remain and are ready to die. O Lord, we acknowledge that our works have not been

perfect before thee. We have done those things which we ought not to have done, and we have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we confess that there is no health in us; but thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us and forgive us, and spare us, for the sake of Him in whom alone we trust. O Lord, may we be in the number of them who have not defiled their garments, and who shall walk with Christ in white. Blot not our names out of the book of life, but confess them, blessed Redeemer, before thy Father and before his angels. O thou who art holy, and who hast the key of David, open our hearts, we entreat thee, to receive thy truth. Give us strength and grace not to deny thy name, but to keep the word of thy patience; and do thou keep us in the hour of temptation. Help us, O Lord, to hold fast thy word; make us pillars in the temple of our God. Write upon us the name of thy God; write upon us, blessed Redeemer, thy new name. May we feel that we are by nature wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked. Give us gold tried in the fire, and make us truly rich; clothe us with white raiment, and open our hearts to know the truth as it is in thee. Hear us, thou who art the Prince of the Kings of the earth; and unto thee be all the glory, honour, and thanksgiving. Amen.

Saturday Morning.

Scripture Reading—Jeremiah xxxii. 1–23.

Enter not into judgment with thy servants, O Lord, for in thy sight no man living can be justified. If thou, O Lord, shouldest mark iniquity, O Lord, who could stand? But there is forgiveness with thee that thou mayest be feared, with our God there is plenteous redemption. Redeem Israel from all his transgressions; forgive us all our trespasses, in the name and through the mediation of Him who is the light to lighten the Gentiles, and the glory of his people Israel. O Lord, who

hast made the heaven and the earth by thy great power and by thy stretched out arm, grant us all that we need, for there is nothing too hard for thee. Change every heart before thee; enlighten every mind by thy presence; renew our nature in the likeness of thy dear Son; show thy loving-kindness unto thousands. Spare the children, O Lord, and recompense not the iniquity of the fathers into their bosom. Thou art the great and mighty God, the Lord of hosts is thy name. O thou who art great in counsel and mighty in working, whose eyes are open upon all the ways of the sons of men, deal not with us as our iniquities deserve, reward us not according to our ways and the fruit of our doings; but in mercy behold us, and in thine Anointed look upon us; for his sake forgive us; and let the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts be acceptable in thy sight. Cause not evil to come upon us; save us from the sword, from famine, and from pestilence. As a father pitieth his children, so do thou pity us. Keep us this day without sin; prevent us in all our doings; deliver us from every danger; guide us, we entreat thee, by wisdom that never errs; hold us by thy right hand; show us thy mercy; quicken us in the way that is good. And all that we beg for this day and for all days, is in the name and through the mediation of our only Redeemer. Amen.

Saturday Evening.

Scripture Reading — Revelation iv.

Blessed Lord, we come to thee as unto our Father, and we ask of thee to give us thy Holy Spirit, and to show us those things which thou hast written for our learning, and the things which shall be hereafter for our encouragement. May thy Holy Spirit give us that light and grace which will incline our hearts to thy will, and enable us to count thy word more precious than gold. We pray, O thou who art the high and the holy One who inhabitest eternity, that we may never seek to

be wise above what is written, yet that we may never be satisfied without knowing thy blessed will and holy word. Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power; for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created. Unto thee who livest for ever and ever we give glory, and acknowledge thee as the author of all the blessings of creation, all the mercies of providence, and the richer mercies and blessings of redeeming love; and as the four and twenty elders cast their crowns before thy throne giving thee all the glory, we would cast our hearts before thy presence, adoring and praising thee who only art worthy, whose is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever. O Lord, shine upon the earth, hasten the coming of thy kingdom. Gird thy sword upon thy thigh, O thou most mighty. Let the kingdoms of this world become the kingdoms of our God and of his Christ; hasten the triumphs of the latter day. May all things help thy cause; may all kings do homage to the King of kings. Make us willing in the day of thy power; make us faithful and watchful. May we seek thy glory above all things. Let the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts be accepted of thee in the name of Him who liveth for ever, a Prince and an Intercessor at thy right hand; in whose name and words we sum up our petitions, saying, Our Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, As it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, The power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

FIFTIETH WEEK.

Sabbath Morning.

Scripture Reading — Psalm cv. 1–30.

O Lord, to thee we give thanks, and thy deeds of mercy and of love we would make known among all nations. This day we desire to sing psalms unto thee, and to hear of thy wondrous works, and to glory in thy name, and to seek thy face evermore. O Lord, do thou give us thy Holy Spirit to open the eyes of our understandings, and to turn us from darkness unto light. Heavenly Father, be thou our God. Thou who art the God of Abraham, of Isaac, and of Jacob, be the God of their children. Remember thy covenant to us which thou hast commanded for ever. Make us heirs of the rest that remaineth for the people of God. Prepare us for thy presence; anoint us with the unction of the Holy One who teacheth all things, and sanctify to us all the dispensations of thy providence, and all the ordinances of thy grace; and make us a peculiar treasure, a kingdom of priests, a holy nation to thyself. This day do thou accompany with thy presence and blessing all thy ministering servants who shall speak thy true and faithful word. Do thou satisfy thy people with bread from heaven; open thou the rock, and let the waters gush forth. Help us to observe thy statutes and to keep thy laws, and make this day a day of refreshment, light, strength, truth, and love, to all thy people throughout the world. Pardon all our sins, we beseech thee, in the name of Him who is our only High Priest. Give us grace to walk in thy statutes and ordinances. Accept of our thanksgivings for the possession of thy holy word; continue to us our great mercies; be our shield and our sun; bestow upon us grace and glory: and all we ask is for the Redeemer's sake. Amen.

Sabbath Evening.

Scripture Reading — Psalm cvi. 1–27.

O Lord, we desire to give thanks unto thee, for thou art good, and thy mercy endureth for ever. We desire to praise thee for the mighty acts recorded in thy holy word, and to endeavour to show forth thy praise with all our heart. We thank thee for the mercies which we have this day enjoyed. O grant us the blessedness of them that keep judgment, and that do righteousness at all times. O Lord, remember us, we beseech thee, with that favour which thou bearest to thine own. Visit us and all ours this night with thy salvation. Deliver us by the blood of Jesus from the condemnation of sin; and introduce us by thy Holy Spirit into the glorious liberty of the sons of God. Give us grace, O Lord, to see in this world the good of thy chosen; help us to rejoice in the gladness of thine ancient people, and glory with thine inheritance in Christ the Saviour of Jew and Gentile. We have sinned, O Lord, we confess, with our fathers; we have committed iniquity, we have done wickedly, we have been unthankful. Pardon all our sins through the atoning death of Christ Jesus; transform our nature day by day by thy Holy Spirit; remember us according to the multitude of thy mercies; save us, and gather us from among the heathen; and give us grace to triumph in thy praise through all generations. O Lord, we beseech thee to bless us with every needed blessing; make permanent in our hearts every impression of thy truth. All we ask is in the name of Him who died for us. And now blessed be the Lord God of Israel from everlasting to everlasting; and let all the nations say, Amen, and praise together the Lord.

Monday Morning.

Scripture Reading—Jeremiah xxxii. 26–44.

O Lord, to whom can we come but unto thee? for thou art the living God, the God of all flesh, unto whom all the ends of the world shall come in adoration, worship, and praise. O Lord, to whom nothing is too hard, change every heart by thy Holy Spirit, enlighten every mind, elevate our affections, and enable us to present ourselves living sacrifices to thee, which is our reasonable service. O Lord, look down upon them that be in darkness and in the shadow of death, and graciously enlighten them. Look in mercy upon all that have but a name to live whilst they are dead, and quicken them by thy Holy Spirit. Regard in thy great compassion thine ancient people the Jews, and bring them again from all the places whither thou hast driven them, that they may dwell safely in the land of their fathers; and make them thy people, and be thou to them their God. O Lord, give to us who are here before thee thy Holy Spirit, and enable us to walk in thy way, and to fear thee for ever and ever. Lord, let thine everlasting covenant be with us; turn not away from us to do us good; put thy fear in our hearts; may we never depart from thee. Rejoice over us, O Lord, to do us good. Plant us in the land of peace, and joy, and sunshine, that is afar off, and be our God, and make us also thy people for ever and ever. Open thy hand this day, and satisfy all our wants; give to every living thing food convenient for it. May we live and walk under a sense of thy presence; may thy Holy Spirit guide us; may thy blessing be upon our basket and upon our store, and upon all related to us, this day and evermore. Let these the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts be acceptable in thy sight, through Christ our Lord and our Redeemer. Amen.

Monday Evening.

Scripture Reading — Revelation v.

O thou who art clothed with majesty and honour, who reignest over all, justice and judgment are the habitation of thy throne, righteousness and truth go before thy face. We come into thy presence, not as criminals into the court of a judge, but as children to the fireside of their heavenly Father, and we ask of thee to blot out all our sins through the efficacy of that atonement made once for all for the remission of the sins of the guilty. Give us thy Holy Spirit to dwell in our hearts, to sanctify us wholly; give us also the adoption of sons, and so fit us for thy kingdom and glory. O thou exalted Redeemer, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, open thou our hearts that we may receive thy truth in the love of it, and open thy word and break all its seals that we may understand thy will and thy ways. O thou who art the Lamb that has been slain, send forth the seven Spirits into thy church, even the one eternal Comforter and Sanctifier, that he may teach, comfort, and sanctify us. O Lord, admit us at the close of this dispensation into that blessed assembly, and enable us to join with them in presenting prayers and praises, and the incense of thanksgiving, unto thee, who art King of kings and Lord of lords. Blessed Redeemer, we praise thee that thou wast slain for us, and hast redeemed us to God by thy blood, and made us kings and priests unto Him. Enable us to close this present life, and to commence that future and blessed life, ever singing, and ever saying, Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honour, and glory, and blessing, and power; and honour, and glory, and power be unto him that sitteth upon the throne, even the Lamb, for ever and ever. Let all our hearts say Amen; so be it.

Tuesday Morning.

Scripture Reading—Jeremiah xxxiii. 1–14.

O thou who art the Maker of all the ends of the earth, the hearer of prayer, whose name is Jehovah, we would call upon thee according to thine own invitation, and do thou graciously answer us. Show us great and mighty things in thy word, and open our eyes to understand thy will, and bless us. Graciously cleanse us from all our iniquity whereby we have sinned against thee; pardon all our iniquities whereby we have transgressed against thee, through the atoning blood of Him who is the end of the law for righteousness to every one that believeth, and in whom we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins. O Lord, sanctify and renew thy people, the children of Abraham according to the flesh; restore them to their own land; cause them to return from every place where thou hast scattered them, and let there be heard the voice of joy, and the voice of gladness, and the voice of them who shall say, Praise the Lord of hosts. O Lord, thou art good; thy mercy endureth for ever; we would bring sacrifices of praise unto thee, for thou art worthy to receive thanksgiving, and glory, and honour. Lord, let the Branch of righteousness grow up over all the earth, and let the King reign, and execute judgment and righteousness in the land. Let Judah be saved, and let Jerusalem dwell safely; and let that name which is above every name be revealed to all the earth, the Lord our righteousness. O Lord, we thank thee for thy faithfulness, we praise thee for thy mercy, we rest upon thy truth; we look to thee to bless us; and as we have begun this day by asking thy blessing, may we close it in celebrating thy praise, through Jesus Christ; to whom, with thee and the ever-blessed Spirit, one God, be all honour and glory, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be. Amen.

Tuesday Evening.

Scripture Reading — Revelation vi.

Father, we have sinned against heaven and in thy sight. O Lord, to whom can we come, but unto thee? thou hast the words of eternal life. Thou rulest in the sea and dry land; thou governest all things. O Lord, holy and true, hear our petitions; despise not our supplications; command thy blessing upon us; save us from famine, and pestilence, and plague, and all the judgments which we have most justly deserved as a nation, a church, and a people. Spare us, good Lord, and be not angry with us for ever; but have mercy upon us, and do us good. Hasten the time when the souls of them that were slain for thy word and for the testimony which they held, shall be manifested as the sons of God, and kings and priests unto thee. May we be numbered with thy saints in glory everlasting; may we stand before the throne arrayed in raiment white and clean, which is the righteousness of saints. When thou comest, blessed Redeemer, to be our Judge, help thy servants, we beseech thee, whom thou hast redeemed with thy precious blood. Deliver us from thy wrath; save us from thy judgments; bless us with peace on earth, and with everlasting joy and felicity in heaven; and when heart and flesh shall faint and fail, be thou the strength of our hearts, and our portion for ever. Mercifully hear our petitions, O Lord, and answer us according to thy great compassion, in the name of Him whom thou hearest always, to whom, with thee, and the Holy Spirit, one God, we ascribe everlasting praise and glory. Amen.

Wednesday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Jeremiah xxxiv. 1–16.

O Lord, our God, our Father, and our Friend, thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Thou madest us, and not we ourselves; thou hast redeemed us with an outstretched arm; thou hast made us kings and priests unto thee, and we shall reign with thee for ever and ever. Thanks be to God for his unspeakable gift. Praise him, ye angels that excel in strength; praise him, all creatures in all places of his dominion: bless the Lord, O our souls. We thank thee for the light of another day; we bless thee for supplying our returning wants; we praise thee for health, and strength, and daily bread; for the air we breathe, and the raiment we put on. O Lord, continue thy mercies and loving-kindnesses to us. Enable us to live unto Christ, and to depart in peace. To live may it be Christ, and to die may it be great gain. Supply all our wants this day; forgive us all our sins for thy dear Son's sake. Enlighten our minds; teach us the way wherein we should walk. Make the outgoings of the morning and the evening to rejoice before us. Save us from sword, and pestilence, and famine; deliver us from all evil, lead us into no temptation; enable us to hallow thy name, and to do thy will, and to seek thy kingdom and thy righteousness first, that all other things may be added unto us. Hear these our petitions through Jesus Christ; and unto Him who is able to keep us from falling, and to present us faultless before thy presence in glory with exceeding joy, to the only wise God our Saviour, be glory and majesty, and blessing and power, now and evermore. Amen.

Wednesday Evening.

Scripture Reading — Revelation vii.

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us; but if we confess our sins, our God is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Lord, have mercy upon us, and forgive us, through the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world. Hold us by thy right hand, seal us for thy sons, and receive us finally to thy kingdom and glory amid those who are chosen and sanctified of thee. O Lord, may we be found amid that great multitude which no man can number, of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues, who stand before the throne, and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, and with palms of victory in their hands. Give us grace from the very heart to say to thee now, Salvation to our God who sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb. O Lord, we worship thee, we praise thee, we acknowledge thee to be the Lord. The glorious company of the apostles praise thee; the goodly fellowship of the prophets praise thee; the noble army of martyrs praise thee. Thy church throughout all the world doth acknowledge thee, the Father of an infinite majesty. Unto these ascriptions, O Lord, we would say, Amen. Blessing, and glory, and wisdom, and thanksgiving, and honour, and power, and might, be unto our God for ever and ever. O Lord, give us a share in that happy state in which they shall hunger no more, neither thirst any more, neither shall the sun light upon them, nor any heat. Lead us even now unto living fountains of waters; feed us with living bread; and wipe away all tears from our eyes and from the eyes of all we love below, for the Redeemer's sake. Amen.

Thursday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Jeremiah xxxv.

O Lord, thou art our Father, and we are thy children; thou art our King, and we are thy subjects; thou art our God, and we worship, adore, and praise thee. May we obey thy voice, and listen to thy commands, and delight to do thy will, and to walk in thy statutes. O Lord, may we hear the voice of thy ministering servants, rising up early, and speaking to us the words of everlasting life. Enlighten our minds by thy Holy Spirit; shine into our hearts, we beseech thee, and enable us to stand before thee, and to honour thy name, and to show forth the praises of Him who hath called us from darkness into his marvellous light. May we be living epistles, seen and read of all men. May the world take notice of us that we are thine; may we have thy character, and set forth thy praise, and be, in our place and day, blessings to all that are around us and connected with us. Let thy grace teach us to live soberly, and righteously, and godly in this present world, and to look for that blessed hope, the glorious appearing of Jesus Christ our God and Saviour, who loved us, and gave himself for us, that he might purify us to himself a peculiar people zealous of good works. Keep us this day without sin. Defend us from every peril. Sweeten and sanctify to us every trial. Pour down thy Holy Spirit on us and ours. Hear us, we entreat thee, in heaven: and to Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be all honour and glory. Amen.

Thursday Evening.

Scripture Reading — Revelation viii.

O Lord, thou art our Father who art in heaven our home, where our hearts and treasure now are; we come to thee as

children; we pray for thy blessing; we entreat the forgiveness of our sins, through the peace-speaking blood of Him who was slain for us, and we present unto thee at this time thanksgiving, and glory, and honour, and praise, for all thou art, and all thou hast done for us. O Lord, may our prayers and the prayers of all thy people be presented in the golden censer, and amid the much incense of the High Priest who standeth before the throne, and ever liveth to make intercession for us. In his name may our sins be forgiven; through his sacrifice may we be this day accepted; let his blood sprinkle us; let his righteousness cover us; and justified by faith, may we have peace with thee through him. O Lord, save us in that day when the heavens and the earth shall pass away like a scroll, and deliver us from all those judgments which we have most justly deserved. God be merciful to us, and bless us, and cause thy face to shine upon us, that thy ways may be known upon earth, and thy saving health among all nations. Let the people praise thee, O God; let all the people praise thee; let the earth yield her increase: and God, our own God, do thou bless us. Keep us this night under the shadow of thy wings; defend us from all peril; deliver us from all evil. Extend thy gospel; arouse thy church; sanctify the world; hasten the coming and kingdom of the Son of man. May Antichrist be destroyed speedily by the brightness of the Redeemer's coming. May superstition, and scepticism, and error of every shade, be speedily expelled from thy church. Pour down thy Holy Spirit in greater abundance than of old, and prepare the hearts of thy saints for the coming and kingdom of the Son of man. All we ask is in the name of our exalted Redeemer. And may grace, and mercy, and peace, from God the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, be with us all this night and evermore. Amen.

Friday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Jeremiah xxxvi. 1–21.

Enter not into judgment with thy servants, O Lord, for in thy sight no man living can be justified. O Lord, we come to thee as the hearer of prayer, and we open our mouths boldly in the name of Him who is our great High Priest, and who ever liveth to make intercession for us. O Lord, let the Angel of the everlasting covenant present our supplications before thee, and let them be heard for his sake, and through his all-prevailing intercession. Let our sins be pardoned through Him; may we be justified in his righteousness. May we be thine, and be thou our God, and teach us out of thy statutes and out of thy testimonies, and cause us to walk in them all the day long. O Lord, may thy word be a light to our feet, and a lamp to our path; may it be sweeter to our taste than honey and the honey-comb. May we count it as much fine gold; may the young know it from their childhood, and be made wise by it unto salvation, and may the aged find their consolation in it. Let thy word have free course and be glorified in every land. Hasten the coming of the kingdom of the Son of man; may he soon appear upon the throne of his father David; and reign from sea to sea, and from the river to the ends of the earth. Let his name be exalted; let the nations bless him and be blessed in him. Let the whole earth be filled with his glory; let the prayers of thy people militant on earth end in the praises of thy people triumphant in glory. Give us this day our daily bread; deliver us from all evil; and lead us into no temptation. All we ask is for Jesus' sake. Amen. May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost, one God, be with us all this day and evermore. Amen.

Friday Evening.

Scripture Reading — Revelation ix.

O Lord, thou art great, and greatly to be praised. Worthy art thou to receive thanksgiving, and praise, and honour, and glory; for all things were made by thee, and thou governst all. Thou makest the wrath of man to praise thee; thou rulest the raging of the sea. Blessed Lord, we draw near to thee as sinners unworthy of the least of thy mercies, but beseeching thee to hear us, and help us, and cause the light of thy countenance to shine upon us, through Him who died for us, and rose again. Justify us freely through the righteousness of thy dear Son; sanctify us daily by thy Holy Spirit; keep our feet from falling, our eyes from tears, and our souls from death. Never leave us; never forsake us; grant us the adoption of sons; make us heirs of thee, and joint-heirs with Christ. Look upon those who are near and dear to us, and convert them unto thee. Change their hearts, enlighten their minds, command their blessing upon them, look upon thy whole church and purify it, and prosper it day by day. Take away from the midst of it every thing that prevents the spread of thy truth, and the glory and prospects of the latter day. Continue to us what we have forfeited by sin, our daily bread; forgive all our trespasses; may thy kingdom come, and thy will be done from the rising of the sun to the going down of the same. May Mahometan delusion be speedily dissolved, and thy people oppressed by tyranny delivered. Let grace, mercy, and peace from Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be upon us all; and all we ask is for our Redeemer's sake. Amen.

Saturday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Jeremiah xxxvii.

O Lord, thou art our Father, whose throne is in the heavens, whose footstool is the earth; may thy will, which is our sanctification, be done in us, and by us, and through us, even as it is done by the redeemed in glory; may thy kingdom, which is righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Ghost, be set up in each heart before thee, and spread over all the earth. May thy name be hallowed from the rising of the sun to the going down of the same. Give us neither poverty nor riches, but feed us with food convenient for us. Give us our daily bread. Pardon us all our sins through the only sacrifice made once for all upon the cross, on which alone we rest, to which alone we look, and through which alone we have access to thee our Father and our Judge. Grant to each of us a forgiving spirit, that we may freely forgive them who have in any way injured, offended, or wronged us. Deliver us from all that is evil, lead us into no temptation in which we shall not be able to triumph. As our day is, may our strength be; make thy grace sufficient for us. Either lighten the load that may lie upon each before thee, or give strength to bear it. Thou knowest what is best for us: into thy hands we commend our spirits. O Lord, save us by thy right hand; and pour upon us thy rich and effectual blessing. Hear us in the name of Him who is our only Redeemer: and unto Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, we ascribe the kingdom, the power, and the glory, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. The peace of God that passeth all understanding keep our hearts and minds continually through Jesus Christ. Amen.

Saturday Evening.

Scripture Reading — Revelation x.

Lord God Almighty, thou art the Lord, holy, holy, holy, fearful in praises, doing wonders. We beseech thee to hear us; bow down thine ear, and let the voice of our supplications come before thee, and send thou an answer in mercy and in peace, in the name of Him who is our Prince, and our High Priest, and our Redeemer, and our all and in all. O Lord, we beseech thee to give us a deep sense of the evil of sin, as committed against thee, and grant us that absolution which thou only art able to bestow, without which our sins cannot be forgiven, but possessing which we shall have peace with thee that passeth understanding. O Lord, hasten that day, when peoples, and nations, and tongues, and kindreds, shall bring their glory unto thee, and acknowledge thee as the only living and true God. Destroy all superstition, scatter the errors of the false prophet; deliver them that are in darkness, and bring them into the glorious light and liberty of the sons of God. Visit with thy salvation the dark corners of the earth; hasten that day when the Redeemer shall reign from sea to sea, and from the river to the ends of the earth. May his name be exalted above every name; may the nations bless him, and be blessed in him; may the whole earth soon be filled with his glory. O Lord, forgive all the sins that thou hast seen in our thoughts, words, or actions, this week: say unto each of us, Thy sins be forgiven thee. O Lord, change our hearts, spiritualize our affections, increase our faith, strengthen our devotedness to thee, and our courage in confessing thee; and as our days and weeks on earth approach their close, may our souls grow riper and more fit for the rest that remaineth for the people of God. O Lord, let our prayers come before thee in the name of Him who is the Angel of the everlasting covenant, who alone is worthy to receive all the glory of our redemption; and for whose sake we entreat thee to bless us

and keep us this night, and all the days and nights of our existence upon earth: and when the golden bowl shall be broken, and the spirit shall return to thee, and the dust to the dust as it was, may it be to each of us the commencement of a life of glory, happiness, and joy, that shall never know an end. Hear these our petitions, we beseech thee, in heaven thy dwelling-place, and when thou hearest, graciously forgive, for the sake of thy only Son our only Saviour Jesus Christ; and unto Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, one God, we ascribe, as is most justly due, the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

FIFTY-FIRST WEEK.

Sabbath Morning.

Scripture Reading — Psalm cvii. 1–28.

This day, O Lord, we give thanks unto thee; for thy mercy endureth for ever. Numbered, we trust, amongst the redeemed of the Lord, whom thou hast redeemed from the hand of the enemy to be a peculiar people, a holy priesthood, we praise and glorify thy name; for thou art worthy. We praise thee, O Lord, for thy goodness, and for thy wonderful works to the children of men. We praise thee for a sabbath and a sanctuary, and a knowledge of a Saviour, and the hopes of glory, and the privilege of thy holy word. O, do thou satisfy us this day, and fill us with goodness. Deliver from darkness and the shadow of death them that are in affliction. Do thou break the bands in sunder of the oppressed, and help them to praise thee for thy goodness. O Lord, save us, we beseech thee, from sin; pardon our iniquities; justify us freely through the Saviour's name. In tribulation and affliction, distress and perplexity, be thou always our strength and our deliverer. Look upon the whole earth, and upon those parts of it that lie

in darkness and in the shadow of death. Turn thou, we beseech thee, barrenness into a fruitful land, and the wilderness into standing water, and the dry ground into water-springs. Bless thy people throughout the whole earth, and multiply them greatly, and extend the righteousness of thy church like brightness, and the salvation thereof like a lamp that burneth. Be with us in the house of prayer this day, when we meet and assemble together in the name of Jesus to set forth thy most worthy praise, to hear thy holy word, and to ask those things that are requisite and necessary alike for the soul and the body. Be with all thy ministering servants throughout the world, and teach, guide, and bless them. Hear us in heaven thy dwelling-place, for the sake of Him whom thou hearest always; unto whom, with thee, and the Holy Spirit, one God, be eternal praise and glory. Amen.

Sabbath Evening.

Scripture Reading—Psalm cviii.

Enter not into judgment with thy servant, O Lord, for in thy sight no man living can be justified. O Lord, fix our hearts, we beseech thee, to worship thee; fix thy truth in our hearts, that we may worship thee who art a Spirit, in spirit and in truth. At the close of this day we would give praise unto thee, O thou Most High, and thank thee with our whole heart for all thy loving-kindness, thy goodness, and thy mercy. Lord, whom have we in heaven but thee? and there is none upon earth we desire beside thee. Our heart and our flesh faint and fail, but thou art the strength of our hearts, and our portion for ever. We will praise thee, O Lord, among the heathen; we will sing praise unto thee among all nations. Fill our hearts with adoring gratitude; give us a deep and joyous sense of all thy blessings. Thy mercy is great above the heavens; thy truth reacheth unto the clouds. Lord, let thy mercy lighten upon us, we beseech thee. Sanctify us through

thy truth; thy word is truth. O Lord, be thou exalted in our hearts very high; be thou exalted, O God, above the heavens, and let thy glory cover the whole earth. May they that dwell in darkness soon see a great light; may Gilead and Manasseh soon be converted unto thee; may Ephraim, and Moab, and Philistia, and all the nations of the earth acknowledge thee. We bless thee for another sabbath of the Son of man, now closed; we pray that its lessons may last and live in our hearts continually; and may nations that have no sabbaths enjoy our privileges. And all that we ask is in the name of Jesus, in whose name and words we sum up our petitions, saying, Our Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, As it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, For ever and ever. The peace of God that passeth all understanding keep our hearts and minds continually in the love and knowledge of thee and thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and may the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. Amen.

Monday Morning.

SCRIPTURE READING — Jeremiah xxxviii. 1–16.

ENTER not into judgment with thy servants, O Lord, for in thy sight no man living can be justified. If thou, O Lord, shouldest mark iniquity, O Lord, who could stand? But there is forgiveness with thee, that thou mayest be feared; with our God there is plenteous redemption. We thank thee for the rest of the night past, for the light of the day that has now dawned, for all the bountiful provisions of thy providence, and for all the riches of thy grace. We praise thee for thy good-

ness, and for thy wonderful works to the children of men. This day, O Lord, deliver us from sword, and famine, and pestilence, and keep us under the shadow of thy providence, and bless us. O Lord, provide for us daily bread; give us neither poverty nor riches, but feed us with food convenient for us. Clothe us with the righteousness of our blessed Lord, and sanctify our hearts by the presence of thy Holy Spirit, and be merciful to us, and bless us, and cause thy face to shine upon us, that thy ways may be known upon earth, and thy saving health among all nations. Let the people praise thee, O Lord, this day; let all the people praise thee. We present our supplications unto thee, O Lord, on behalf of all that are oppressed, the poor, the needy, the suffering, the persecuted, and the dying. May it please thee to have mercy upon all men. We pray that thou wouldest extend thy gospel day by day, till the whole earth is filled with thy glory, and a people is made ready for the coming of the Lord. Hear our prayers, we beseech thee, in heaven; enable us to hallow thy name, and to do thy will, and to promote thy kingdom and thy glory upon earth. Deliver us from all evil, and lead us into no temptation. And all we ask is in the name and through the mediation of our blessed Redeemer: and unto Him who is able to keep us from falling, and to present us faultless before thy presence in glory with exceeding joy; to the only wise God our Saviour, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, both now and ever. Amen.

Monday Evening.

Scripture Reading — Revelation xi.

O Lord, we draw near to thee at the close of this day, and worship thee in thy holy temple, who art King of kings and Lord of lords. We pray that thou wouldest be pleased to look down from heaven thy dwelling-place upon those parts of the earth which are overshadowed by darkness, and under the

influence of the great apostasy. Consume that apostasy by the Spirit of thy mouth; destroy it, blessed Redeemer, with the brightness of thy coming. Let great Babylon soon be cast, as a millstone, into the sea; let the oppressor of thy saints be destroyed. Bring thy people out of the midst of it, who are in it, and not of it; translate them from darkness into light, and give them the liberty of the sons of God. O Lord, we beseech thee to hear us in heaven thy dwelling-place, and to hasten that time when the kingdoms of this world shall become the kingdoms of our God and of his Christ, and he shall reign for ever and ever. O Lord, pour down thy Holy Spirit upon thy whole church, and multiply faithful witnesses to the truth. Increase the number of them that truly fear and love thee; make thy people faithful; strengthen them that do stand, comfort the feeble-minded. We pray for thy protecting and preserving goodness during the silent watches of the night; we entreat thee to hasten thy kingdom. Take to thee thy great power, and reign in every heart; rule amid the nations; turn the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom of the just. Hear us, O Lord, and have mercy upon us; for we ask every blessing in Christ's name; to whom, with thee, and the Holy Spirit, be equal and eternal glory. Amen.

Tuesday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Jeremiah xxxix.

Lord, thou art our Father, and we are the children of thine adoption. We pray to thee, as children to a Father able and willing to save to the uttermost all that come unto thee through Christ the only Mediator. Blessed Lord, we desire to come into thy presence with thanksgiving, and to set forth thy loving-kindness every morning, and thy faithfulness every night. Be pleased to strengthen our faith in thee as our God, our confidence in thee as our Father, and our apprehension

of thee as our Guide all the day long. May we walk before thee, and do thou guide and lead us. Hold up our goings that our footsteps slip not. Teach us thy statutes; incline our hearts to thy commandments and testimonies. May thy word be a light to our feet and a lamp to our path. Let thy hand help us; may our souls live, and praise thee. We have gone astray like lost sheep; seek thy servants, O Lord, and fetch us back to thy fold, and number us with thy saints in glory everlasting. We thank thee for all thy mercies, which from day to day thou bestowest upon us. We thank thee for the pardoning of our sins, the healing of our diseases, the satisfying of our mouths with good things, the renewing of our youth like the eagle's, and for all the loving-kindesses and tender mercies with which thou crownest us. Bless the Lord, O our souls, and all that is within us, bless his holy name. Hear us, and help us, O Lord; deliver us from all evil; preserve us for thy kingdom and glory; make the outgoings of the morning and the evening to rejoice before us; let goodness and mercy follow us, and may we dwell in thine house for ever and ever. Let grace, and mercy, and peace, be with us this day and evermore, through Jesus Christ the Saviour. Amen.

Tuesday Evening.

Scripture Reading—Revelation xii.

O Lord, may we be in the number of them who are chosen, and called, and faithful. We thank thee that thou hast protected thy church in all her trials, and delivered thy chosen from the persecutions of the wicked one. May thy church soon look forth bright as the sun, and fair as the moon, and terrible as an army with banners. May we and all thy people overcome the lust of the eye, and the pride of life, and the love of the world, and the assaults of the wicked one, and principalities, and powers, and all the elements of wickedness

in high places that are arrayed against us, by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of our testimony. May we love the Lord Jesus Christ more than father, and mother, and sister, and brother, and land, and life itself. Hasten, O God, that period when there shall come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of thy Christ. Let Satan, the wicked one, be bound in chains, and cast down from the earth; and let thy people reign upon the same, and thy kingdom, which is righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost, be established over all the earth. Visit in thy great mercy all who now suffer for Christ's sake, and are in bonds, imprisonment, or persecution, or affliction of any sort. Make us truly thankful for our precious privileges, our great mercies, and our many blessings. Give us grace profitably to use them. Keep us this night under thy protection. Bless all we love. May we and ours be numbered with thy people in glory everlasting. O Lord, forgive us all our iniquities, in the name of Him who is our propitiation and our sacrifice; let his righteousness, which is offered unto all, be upon us, and upon all that believe, as our only title. O Lord, let thy mercy be upon us; deliver us from all evil; bless us with all pledged and promised mercies: and all we ask is for the Redeemer's sake. Amen.

Wednesday Morning.

Scripture Reading —Jeremiah xl.

Heavenly Father, we thy children bow our hearts at thy footstool, and beseech thee to pour down upon us that blessing which the world cannot give, and which the world cannot take away. In thee, O Lord, do we put our trust; may we never be put to confusion. Open our eyes to understand wonderful things out of thy law. May we love thy holy word; may we prefer it to much fine gold, and feel it sweeter to our taste than honey and the honeycomb. O Lord, lead us in thy truth,

and teach us. Thou art the God of our salvation, and on thee do we wait all the day long. Remember, O Lord, thy mercies and thy loving-kindnesses; remember not the sins of our youth, nor the transgressions of our riper years; but according to thy mercy in Christ Jesus, the Son of thy love, the Saviour of our souls, remember us, we beseech thee, for thy goodness' sake. O Lord, teach us the way in which we ought to walk. Incline our hearts unto thy statutes and thy testimonies, and not to covetousness. May we find all thy paths mercy and truth, because we keep thy covenant and thy testimonies. May thy Holy Spirit endear to us thy word, and reveal to us the glory and the excellency of Christ the Saviour, and incline our hearts to whatsoever things are pure, and just, and honest, and lovely, and of good report. May we have grace to offer day by day the sacrifice of praise; give us grace to do good and to communicate, knowing that with such sacrifices thou art well pleased. Hear our prayers, O Lord, accept of our imperfect services; and may the God of peace that brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make us perfect in every good work to do his will, working in us that which is well-pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Wednesday Evening.

SCRIPTURE READING — Revelation xiii.

O LORD, deliver us from the wicked one; save us from superstition, root out of our hearts every prejudice; destroy by thy Holy Spirit every evil passion within us. May we hold fast thy holy word, as a lamp to our feet and a light to our path; may we glory only in the cross; may we count all but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Jesus. Do thou arrest the spread of deadly error; do thou break in pieces the oppressor; remove speedily from the earth that wicked one

who opens his mouth in blasphemy against thee, and blasphemes thy name, and thy tabernacle, and them that dwell there. O Lord, do thou number us with them whose names are written in the book of life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world. O Lord, give us in the time of trial and trouble the patience and the faith of thy saints. May we not be deceived by the wonders that the wicked one may do, or ensnared by his lying signs, but hold fast and be faithful unto death, that no man may take our crown. In the last times of his dispensation do thou strengthen us. As dangers, trials, temptations, and seductions multiply, may our confidence in thee increase; may our devotedness to thee be more manifested. Enable us to contend earnestly for the faith once delivered to the saints. Give us grace to exemplify the holiness of our creed by the consistency, and purity, and dutifulness of our daily lives. Forgive, O Lord, all the offences which thou hast seen in us this day, through the precious blood of the only Saviour; convert us by thy Holy Spirit; keep us by thy power; and do for us and to us above all that we can either ask or think, for the Redeemer's name's sake. Amen.

Thursday Morning.

SCRIPTURE READING — Jeremiah xli.

O LORD, whom have we in heaven but thee? and there is none upon earth we desire beside thee. Our heart and our flesh faint and fail, but thou art the strength of our hearts, and our portion for ever. We give thanks unto thee, O Lord; we call upon thy name; we desire to make known thy deeds amongst all people. O Lord, give us grace still more to glory in thy holy name, and to seek thee the Lord, and thy strength, and thy face, evermore. O Lord, thou art our God; remember thy covenant for ever, the word which thou hast commanded to a thousand generations. Pardon, we beseech thee, our sins, and the sins of all thy people, through that precious

blood shed for the remission of the sins of the guilty, which speaketh better things than the blood of Abel, and cleanseth from all sin. Turn our hearts, we beseech thee, from darkness unto light; sanctify us wholly; open thy hand, O Lord, and fill with good every living thing. We wait upon thee, O Lord; give us our meat in due season. Send forth thy Spirit, and renew the face of the whole earth. Let thy glory endure for ever and ever; may our meditation of thee be sweet; may we rejoice in thee all the day long. This day, O Lord, be thou our fortress and our refuge, our buckler and our shield. Set thy love upon us; give thine angels charge over us; satisfy us with long life, and show us thy salvation. Keep us this day in all our ways; guide us by thy Holy Spirit; may we ever feel, Thou God seest us. May we hear a voice upon our right hand and upon our left, saying, This is the way; walk ye in it. Let the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts this day be acceptable in thy sight, through Jesus Christ, our Prince and our Redeemer. Amen.

Thursday Evening.

Scripture Reading — Revelation xiv.

To the Lord our God belong mercies and forgivenesses, though we have rebelled against him. O Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, take away our sins, we beseech thee. Blessed Redeemer, number us with the hundred and forty and four thousand, on whose foreheads is the name of their Father: may we join with them who are found praising and worshipping thee, who livest and reignest for ever and ever. Blessed Redeemer, give us grace to follow thee whithersoever thou goest; may thy people be our people; where thou goest may we go; where thou lodgest may we lodge; and following thee on earth, may we live and reign with thee in glory hereafter. O Lord, our heavenly Father, who didst so love us that thou gavest Christ to die for us, redeem us by his blood

from among men; make us by thy Holy Spirit first-fruits to thyself and to the Lamb. May there be found in our mouth no guile; may we stand faultless before thy throne for ever; may we give glory unto thee, and do thou hasten that time when Babylon shall fall, the great city that made nations drunk with the wine of her wickedness, and the smoke of her torment shall rise up for ever and ever. O Lord, number us with those blessed ones who live and die in Christ, and rest from their labours, whose works do follow them. To us to live may it be Christ, and to die may it be great gain. Deliver us, O Lord, from all that would injure our souls, strengthen us for all the duties that may lie before us, and make us more than conquerors through him that loved us, for Jesus' name's sake. Amen.

Friday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Jeremiah xlii. 1–18.

O Lord, we pray unto thee for the remnant of thy people throughout all the earth. O Lord our God, show us this day the way wherein we may walk, and the thing that we may do. O Lord, answer us according to thy great mercy, and make known to our hearts thy loving-kindnesses and thy tender mercies which are of old for ever. Give us grace to obey the voice of thee, the Lord our God, that it may be well with us all the days of our pilgrimage upon earth. O Lord, unto thee we present our supplications; from thee we ask for the blessing that we need; deliver us not to the power of the wicked one, but spare us, O Lord, and save us, and have mercy upon us, and bless us. Give us grace to obey thy voice, and do thou deliver us from the sword, and famine, and pestilence, and from all the evils which the sins of man have justly provoked; and shower down upon us all the blessings that are the purchase of the blood of the everlasting covenant, and which thou delightest to bestow upon them that fear thee, and

that call upon thy name. Let our prayers come before thee as the morning incense; let our iniquities be all blotted out through the precious sacrifice of our only Saviour. Let our hearts be renewed, and our minds enlightened by thy blessed Spirit. The Lord bless us and keep us this day: the Lord lift up the light of his countenance upon us: the Lord bless us, and make his face to shine upon us, and give us peace, through Jesus Christ, our only Redeemer. Amen.

Friday Evening.

Scripture Reading — Revelation xv.

If we say we have no sins we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Enter not into judgment with thy servants, O Lord, for in thy sight no man living can be justified. O Lord, whom have we in heaven but thee? and there is none upon earth we desire besides thee; when heart and flesh shall faint and fail, be thou the strength of our hearts, and our portion for ever. O Lord, pardon all our sins and transgressions, and all that thou seest amiss within us in thought, in word, or in deed, through that only Sacrifice made once for all upon the cross, through which alone we are pardoned, for which we praise and thank thee, and in which alone we glory as the foundation of all our salvation and all our desire. Heavenly Father, give us thy Holy Spirit, perfect thy strength in our weakness, make thy grace sufficient for us; give us the victory over the beast, and over his image, and over his mark, and over the number of his name. May we sing for ever the song of Moses the servant of God, and the song of the Lamb, thy Son, our only Saviour. Great and marvellous are thy works, Lord God Almighty; thou madest all things, and by thy pleasure and for thy glory all things continue. The heavens are the workmanship of thy hands, the earth is the creation of thy power;

may both praise and glorify thee. Let thy judgments soon be made manifest; may the name of Christ be exalted, and may all glory in him as the only Mediator, and serve thee in him as our Father, and may the whole earth be filled with smoke from the glory of God, and from his power. Sanctify us to thy service, and consecrate us to minister in thy holy temple as priests unto thee for ever and ever. Answer these our prayers, O Lord, in the name and through the mediation of Him who liveth for ever and ever: and unto Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, one God, and our God, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, now and ever. May the peace that passeth all understanding keep our hearts and minds continually, through Jesus Christ, and may the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. Amen.

Saturday Morning.

Scripture Reading—Jeremiah xliii.

O Lord, thou art our Father and we are thy children; we look up to thee as our Father, and to heaven as our eternal and our blessed home. May thy holy name be hallowed in every tongue, and in every place, and in every heart over all the earth. May it be regarded as a strong tower and refuge, to which thy people flee and are safe. May thy kingdom of grace come into every heart, and may thy kingdom of glory soon overspread the whole earth. May thy holy will, which is the highest happiness of thine own, be felt, and revered, and done, on earth, even as it is now done amid the blessed. Our Father, give us this day food convenient for us; give us contentment and godliness, which is great gain. May we seek first thy kingdom and thy righteousness, sure that all other things will be added unto us. Forgive us all the sins of our thoughts, words, and deeds, original and actual, personal and

official, through the only sacrifice made once for all for the remission of sins. Give us grace from on high freely to forgive the offences of them that injure us, and do thou turn their hearts. Deliver us from Satan and sin; from the lust of the eye, the pride of life, the love of the world, all envy, vainglory, hypocrisy, and uncharitableness. Lead us into no temptation which we shall not be able to overcome, but show us, O Lord, a way of escape. Hear these our petitions in heaven thy dwelling-place, O thou to whom all hearts be open and all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid, and cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, through Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, who loved us, and gave himself for us, and rose again, and ever liveth to make intercession for us. And unto Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God and our God, we ascribe, as is most justly due, the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, now and evermore. May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. Amen.

Saturday Evening.

Scripture Reading — Revelation xvi.

O Lord, thou art righteous, which art, and wast, and shalt be; justice and judgment are the habitation of thy throne; righteousness accompanied with truth goeth before thy face. Thy judgments are just, and thy punishment of the wicked and disobedient is righteous. O Lord, save us from those plagues which our sins have deserved; visit not the nations, we beseech thee, with thy judgments; regard not their sins, but spare them, and have mercy upon them, and make known thy ways to them, and thy saving health in the midst of them, for Jesus' sake. Hasten, O Lord, the drying up of the Euphrates, and the waning of the Crescent, to make room for the return of thine ancient people, and their restoration to the

land of their fathers, and to the glory of the latter day. O Lord, deliver thy church universal, and all thy ministers and people, from the unclean spirits that come out of the mouth of the dragon, and out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet. O thou Redeemer, thou Holy One of Israel, who comest as a thief, may ours be the blessedness of him who watcheth and keepeth his garments, lest we walk naked. Lord, let great Babylon soon come in remembrance before thee. O Lord, hasten that time when it shall be cast like a millstone into the sea, and thy saints shall be delivered from captivity, and thy truth vindicated from error, and thy glory set forth from the rising of the sun to the going down of the same. Pardon all our sins of the past week; and if spared to see the light of another day of the Son of man, may it be to magnify thy name, and to enjoy the privileges of thy sanctuary, and to learn new reasons for loving thee, and living to thee. Hear these our prayers, O Lord; and when thou hearest, graciously forgive; for all we ask is in the name of thy dear Son, in whose name and words we sum up our petitions, saying, Our Father, &c.

FIFTY-SECOND WEEK.

Sabbath Morning.

Scripture Reading — Psalm cix.

O Lord, save us from all the curses which we have most justly provoked. Pour down upon us, we beseech thee, all the mercies which thou hast promised in Christ to them that, unworthy in themselves, are yet worthy through the righteousness of Jesus imputed to them. O Lord, we are poor and needy, and our hearts are wounded within us. Help us, O Lord our God. O save us, according to thy mercy. Forgive us all our sins and offences, and all we have thought, or said,

or done wickedly, through the atoning blood and glorious righteousness of thy Son our only Saviour. Increase our faith in him. Open the eyes of our understandings. Create in us clean hearts, O God, we beseech thee. Take not thy Holy Spirit away from us. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit. May we this day so read and hear thy blessed word, that it shall be to us the savour of life unto life. May thy promises gladden our hearts. May the hope of the everlasting Sabbath cheer us. Raise our affections to thyself. May we rise above all the cisterns of time, and drink living water from the fountain of heaven. May we with joy draw water from the wells of salvation. Be with every faithful preacher of thy blessed gospel in every part of the earth this day. O visit with thy special presence them that are as sheep without a shepherd. Feed them that have no under-shepherd to lead them by green pastures. Arouse the world. Sanctify the church. Spare useful lives. Prepare the dying for death. O stand at the right hand of the poor. Visit the fatherless and widow. Have mercy upon all men. Hear us and help us, for Jesus' sake, in whose name and words we sum up our petitions, saying, Our Father, &c.

Sabbath Evening.

Scripture Readings — Psalms cx; cxi.

Blessed Lord, who art in heaven, our Father, our God, we, the creatures of thy hand and the children of thine adopting love, approach thy throne of grace in the name of Him who sitteth at thy right hand, a Priest for ever after the order of Melchizedek. For his sake we entreat thee to forgive us all our sins and offences, and through his mediation to receive us graciously. Give us, who truly need it, thy grace. Endue us richly with thy wisdom. Bless to us and our progress every truth we have this day read or heard, and make thy word to us the savour of life. Send the rod of thy power out

of Zion, and subdue thine enemies. Make thy people willing in the day of thy power. Let Christ the King reign over all the earth. Let his enemies lick the dust. Thy work, O Lord, is great and honourable, and sought out and studied by them that love thee. Show thyself to us full of compassion. Be mindful of thy covenant, and write all thy laws on our hearts, and give meat to them that fear thee. Send redemption to thy people. Redeem us from all iniquity. Purify us to thyself, O thou whose name is reverend and holy. Fill our hearts with that fear which is the beginning of wisdom. Give us understanding from on high. Bless abundantly thy church universal—bless its ministers. Endue them with thy righteousness, and make thy chosen people joyful. We praise thee for innumerable mercies. We thank thee for the Saviour. We bless thee for our sabbaths, and sanctuaries, and open Bibles, and means of grace, and opportunities of learning thy holy will. Watch over us and ours this night. Spare us, O Lord, and bless us. All we beg is in the name of Jesus, to whom, with thee, and the Holy Spirit, one God, be eternal glory. Amen.

Monday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Jeremiah xliv. 1–18.

Enter not into judgment with us, O Lord, for in thy sight no man living can be justified. O Lord, enable us to feel deeply the responsibility of having great privileges. Quench not our light. Take not our candlestick away. Bring not on us the evil inflicted on Jerusalem. Spare us, good Lord. God forbid we should think, or say, or do what is abominable in thy sight. We confess we have done wickedly. We have committed great evil against our souls. Our fathers, and our wives, and our children have committed wickedness. We have not humbled ourselves, nor hearkened, nor inclined our ears unto thee. O Lord, set not thy face against us. Punish us

not as we deserve with famine, and pestilence, and sword. See our Shield. Look thou on the face of thine Anointed. In his name absolve us. Let his precious blood plead for us, and prevail in our behalf. Send down into our hearts thy Holy Spirit. Purge away our dross and our tin. Sanctify us through thy truth. Thy word is truth. Give us according to thy mercy this day our daily bread. Guide us according to thy wisdom in all our ways. Keep our eyes from tears and our feet from falling. Give us grace, O thou who givest thy Holy Spirit to thy people, to obey thy voice, and to walk in thy law, and in thy statutes, and in thy testimonies. Bless us and the work of our hands. Let thy beauty be on us and ours this day and evermore. The Lord bless us and keep us. The Lord make his face to shine upon and be gracious to us. The Lord lift up the light of his countenance upon us and give us peace, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Monday Evening.

SCRIPTURE READING — Revelation xvii.

BLESSED Lord, we grieve that our sinful nature, directed by the wicked one, should have so corrupted and perverted thy glorious gospel, that apostolic truth should have ended in fatal apostasy. O Lord, deliver us from every taint and sin and blasphemy of Babylon. Gracious Lord, deliver those who have drank of her cup, and are now her unhappy victims. May they hear at this time thy voice from heaven, saying, Come out of her, my people. O Lord, awaken thousands within her pale to a sense of their danger. Bless abundantly every effort made in Ireland, on the continent, and in our own land, to bring souls from darkness to light, and from the kingdom of Satan into the kingdom of thy dear Son. O, do thou save from her seductions those who are tempted to join her, and root out of our Reformed churches every root of evil and error, and make them approach daily more and more Jerusalem

which is above. May we be chosen and faithful, our names written in the Lamb's book of life. Give us wisdom to see the errors, and grace to flee from the sins, of Babylon. Bind us more and more closely to the city of the living God — the heavenly Jerusalem, and the spirits of just men made perfect. May we count all but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ. May our life be hid with him in thee. Hear the cry of the souls of them that have been slain for their testimony, and destroy with the brightness of Christ's coming the great apostasy. Help us to hold fast. Perfect thy strength in our weakness. Make thy grace sufficient for us. Pour down thy Holy Spirit as on the day of Pentecost, and make ready thy people for the coming of the Lord. Increase the number and raise the character of faithful ministers in every section of thy church, and enable them to give no uncertain sound in these last and perilous times. Accept of our thanks for another day's mercies. Keep us this night from all danger, and preserve us for usefulness in thy vineyard. Let the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts be acceptable in thy sight, for Jesus' sake. Amen.

Tuesday Morning.

Scripture Readings — Jeremiah xlv. 1–25; xlvi. 13–28.

O most merciful Father, who hast taught thy people what to seek, give us those good things which thou in thy wisdom seest to be most expedient for us, granting in this life knowledge of thy truth, and in the life to come joy everlasting. Give us rest in Christ, we beseech thee. We would not seek earth's great things, but thy face and thy favour, O Lord our God, we would seek evermore. Make us content with such things as we have. Help us to set our affections, not on things that are on earth, but on things that are above. In the world may we not be of it. While not slothful in business, may we

be fervent in spirit, everywhere and always serving thee. May we evermore feel, Thou God seest us. In all our ways may we acknowledge thee. O Lord, breathe thou into our hearts thy heavenly comforts. May we not fear, neither be dismayed, while engaged in thy service and seeking thy glory. Save us from afar off. May all dear and near to us return to thee and be at rest and at ease, and not be afraid. Be thou with us this day. Make not a full end of us, thy servants, O Lord. Correct us in measure. Spare thy people who are redeemed with the precious blood of Christ Jesus, and forgive us all our offences and bless us. Give us bread to eat and raiment to put on. Command thy blessing on our basket and on our store, on our souls and on our bodies, on our servants, and on all that is ours; and let the peace that passeth understanding keep our hearts and minds continually, through Jesus Christ, to whom be everlasting glory. Amen.

Tuesday Evening.

Scripture Reading — Revelation xviii. 1–20.

O Lord, look down from heaven thy dwelling-place upon us here present, and cause thy face to shine upon us for Christ's sake. We thank thee that thy cause and kingdom are not to be depressed or destroyed upon the earth. We bless thee that great Babylon is doomed, and that the hour of her judgments is at hand. O Lord, give us true and lively faith—increase of love, and zeal, and faith. Put into each of our hearts thy Holy Spirit. May we have dwelling in us the spirit of wisdom, the spirit of understanding, the spirit of grace, and supplication, and prayer. Take away from each of us the hard and stony heart, and give each of us an heart of flesh. Cleanse the thoughts of our heart by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, and help us worthily to praise and magnify thy holy name. Seal to us the forgiveness of our sins. Grant us the blessedness of that man whose sins are forgiven, whose ini-

quities are blotted out, and to whom the Lord imputeth no iniquity. Grant us, if it be for our good and for thy glory, the full assurance of faith. Open our eyes to see clearly, and open our hearts to receive with meekness, the things that belong to our everlasting peace. Graciously forgive whatever thou hast seen amiss in our hearts, on our lips, or in our conduct this day. We would lie down at peace with thee and with all our brethren of mankind. Spread over us thy protecting providence. Deliver us from all evil. Defend us from every peril. Be thou in all our thoughts. Bless us and ours here or absent. Bind us together by uniting us all to Christ. Guide us by thy counsel while we live, and afterward receive us to glory. We beg these and all other blessings in Christ's name, and for his sake. Amen.

Wednesday Morning.

Scripture Readings — Jeremiah xlvii.; xlviii. 1–10.

Lord, to whom can we come but unto thee? Thou hast the words of eternal life. Enter not into judgment with thy servants, O Lord, for in thy sight shall no man living be justified. Prevent us, O Lord, in all our doings with thy most gracious favour, and further us with thy continual help, that in all our works begun, continued, and ended in thee, we may ever glorify thy holy name. Pardon all our sins and trespasses of thought, and word, and deed, through the atoning and meritorious virtue of the death and sacrifice of Christ our Lord. We have sinned. We are guilty. We have no merit. We have no claim. In us there dwelleth no good thing. But thou delightest in mercy. Lord, forgive, through Jesus Christ. Keep us this day without sin. Give us hearts to love and dread thee, and diligently to live after thy law. Scatter all our prejudices. Take away our corrupt passions, appetites, and desires. Fill our hearts with love, and our minds with light, and make us

living epistles written by thy Holy Spirit, seen and read of all men, to the glory of thy holy name. O Lord, forbid we should do thy work deceitfully. Forbid that we should settle down in peace, peace, where there is no peace. Give us daily bread. Spare us in health and strength. Preserve us this day from all evil. Make us useful. Keep us from falling. Hear us, and help us, and bless us and all ours, here or absent, for Jesus' sake. Amen.

Wednesday Evening.

Scripture Reading — Revelation xix.

We praise thee, O God, for thy mercies. We stand in awe at thy righteous judgments, O thou King of saints. Salvation, glory, and honour, and power be unto our God for ever and ever. May we be found in the glorious company of the apostles, in the noble army of martyrs, and the goodly fellowship of the prophets, singing at the day of the Lord, Hallelujah, the Lord God omnipotent reigneth. When the marriage supper of the Lamb shall come, may we be found ready, arrayed in white robes, and numbered with thy saints in glory everlasting. O Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, take away our sins, we beseech thee. O Word of God, King of saints, Saviour of all that believe, in all time of our tribulation, in all time of our wealth, in the hour of death, and in the day of judgment, graciously defend us. Heavenly Father, who givest good gifts to them that ask, and hast promised to thy children thy Holy Spirit, grant us that same Spirit to dwell in our hearts, to comfort us in our afflictions, and to fit and prepare us for the everlasting rest that remaineth for the people of God. Forgive us all our sins and offences. Fill our spirits with joy and peace in believing. Look in love and mercy on all in whom we feel a deep and lively interest. Fetch home every lost prodigal. Gather to thy fold all who

have erred and strayed from thee. May we meet at thy right hand all we love, and so be for ever with the Lord. All we beg is for Jesus' sake. Amen.

Thursday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Jeremiah xlviii. 26–44.

To the Lord our God belong mercies and forgivenesses. Almighty God, unto whom all hearts be open, and all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid, cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit; that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy name, through Christ our Lord. When thy judgments are abroad may the nations of the earth learn wisdom. O teach the nations that righteousness alone exalts a people. Spread thy blessed gospel in our cities, and our towns, and our villages. Increase the number of faithful ministers in the midst of them. Bless every effort, by whomsoever made, to extend thy truth, to circulate thy holy word, and to win souls to Christ. This day, O Lord, be our Sun and our Shield. Defend us in peril. Sustain us in trials. Comfort us in sorrow. Sweeten to us our mercies, and blessings, and joys. May we never forget that the time is short. May they that have wives be as though they had none. May they that rejoice be as though they rejoiced not. May they that weep be as though they wept not, and they that use the world as not abusing it, knowing that the fashion of it passeth away. Fix our hearts supremely on thyself. Forgive us our sins through Jesus Christ our Saviour. Be with us in all our ways. Hold up our goings. Stablish, strengthen, prosper us. We commend to thee the sick, the suffering, the dying. Comfort all that mourn. From battle, and murder, and plague, and pestilence, and famine, good Lord, deliver us. We beg every mercy in the name and through the mediation of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Thursday Evening.

Scripture Reading — Revelation xx.

We thank thee for the promise of the millennial rest. We pray that it may come speedily. Grant us in our hearts thy grace. Set up within us now that kingdom which is righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost. May thy name be hallowed from the rising of the sun to the going down of the same. May thy will be done in us, and by us, and with us. Water thy heritage with the dew of thy blessing. May the desert places of the earth rejoice, and its solitary places blossom as the rose. May we have part in the first resurrection. May we now be found in Christ, not having our own righteousness which is of the law, but the righteousness which is of thee through faith in him. May we know him, and the power of his resurrection, and the fellowship of his sufferings, and so attain the resurrection from among the dead. Pardon our sins and offences this day. Forgive our unworthiness of the least of all thy mercies, and remember against us our sins and iniquities no more. Elevate our affections. Quicken our hearts. Purify our nature. Give us victory over every sin, and especially the sin that doth most easily beset us. Sanctify to us all the trials that may be on us, or awaiting us in thy providence. Sweeten our mercies by thy love, and make all things work together for good to us and all that love thee. May our hearts be where our home is. May our affections be supremely with Christ. Unite our hearts to fear thy name. Watch over us for good, O thou Shepherd of Israel, who slumberest not nor sleepest. Give us in due time a portion in the rest that remaineth for the people of God. Fit us for its blessed repose. Grant us a foretaste of its joys. Let the Comforter dwell in our hearts continually. Let these our evening prayers and praises rise up as incense

in the golden censer of the Angel of the everlasting covenant; and unto Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, one God, be equal and eternal praise, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Friday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Jeremiah xlix. 1–16.

Our Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed by thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, As it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, The power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Blessed Lord, teach us to pray. Hear our petitions in heaven thy dwelling-place. Grant us what thou seest to be truly expedient for us. Absolve us, O thou High Priest, who alone hast power to forgive sins. Holy Spirit, take of the things of Christ and reveal them to our hearts. Keep us this day without sin. Make us useful. Bless us and make us blessings. Pour down upon us richly the unction of the saint, and incline us diligently to fulfil the obligations of thy servants. Perfect thy strength in our weakness. Make thy grace this day sufficient for us. Lead the blind in thy way, even though they know it not. Give earth another Pentecost. Prepare the Bride for the coming of the Lord. Build up thy church in glory and beauty, and make Jerusalem again the joy of all the earth. Increase our faith. Elevate our hearts. Take not thy Holy Spirit away from us. Mercifully hear our petitions, O Lord. We ask all in the name of Jesus, our Saviour and Redeemer. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with us all. Amen.

Friday Evening.

Scripture Reading — Revelation xxi.

Heavenly Father, we bless and praise thee for thy glorious promises. We thank thee for these blessed prospects. Give us now in our hearts an earnest of the future blessedness. We thank thee that these words are faithful and true. O thou who makest all things new, make new our hearts within us. Give us grace and strength to overcome. Give us to drink of the water of life freely. Be thou still our God. Make us evermore thy sons and daughters. Comfort every weeper with the prospect of that day when there shall be no more tears. Comfort the bereaved with the blessed hope of the first resurrection, and our reunion to all who have fallen asleep in Jesus. May we bear persecution meekly, and afflictions joyfully, knowing that if we suffer with Christ, we shall also reign with him. May we be citizens of the Apocalyptic city, heirs of the kingdom, joint-heirs with Christ. May we who are worshipping without, one day worship within the vail where there is no temple, and where the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are the temple thereof. May we one day walk in the light of that city which has no need of the sun or moon. Prepare our hearts for so blessed an inheritance. Shed abroad thy love upon us all. Keep us from every evil. Guard us from every peril. Guide us at every turning. Direct us in every difficulty. Help us to live, and move, and think, and act in thee. Let the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts come up with acceptance before thee, for Christ's sake. Amen.

Saturday Morning.

Scripture Reading — Jeremiah xlix. 23–39.

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just to forgive our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. O Lord, our heavenly Father, we confess with sorrow and shame, and with humble and lowly hearts, that we have sinned against thee. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done. We have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts, and there is no health in us. Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare thou them who confess their faults. Restore thou them who are penitent according to thy promises declared to us in Christ Jesus. Take away the heart of stone. Give to each of us a heart of flesh. Fix in our hearts thy love and in our minds everlasting light. Lead us and guide us in the way that is good. Direct our steps. Hold up our goings. Shine upon us, and save us, we beseech thee. Bless our country, our president, our rulers. Bless our home. Befriend our friends. Forgive our enemies. Visit Jew and Gentile with thy saving health. Make known thy ways upon earth, thy saving health among all nations. Lead us this day in the ways of righteousness. We bless thee for all our mercies. Thanks be to God for his unspeakable gifts. Make us loving, thankful, patient, kind, gentle, and examples of good. May Christ be in us the hope of glory. May we be in him the heirs of heaven. We beg all for his sake. Amen.

Saturday Evening.

SCRIPTURE READING—Revelation xxii.

O LORD, give us to drink of the river of the water of life that proceeds from the throne of God and of the Lamb. Thirsty, we ask of thee to give us living water. Give us now living bread. We would now sit down under the shadow of the tree of life, and eat of its pleasant fruit. Feed us in green pastures, and lead us beside the still waters. O Lord, give us grace to keep the sayings of the prophecy of thy book. Make us righteous now that we may be righteous ever. Make us holy now that we may be holy for ever. O Lord, may all that are athirst come and take of the water of life freely. May we have grace to do thy commandments, and thus evince our right to enter into the city. O thou who art the Root and Offspring of David, the bright and morning Star, be now and evermore our Sun and our Shield. Give us grace and glory. Withhold no good from us. Come quickly, we beseech thee, with many crowns, as King of kings, and Lord of lords. Hasten, heavenly Father, the fulfilment of thy promises and the glory thou hast promised. Holy and blessed Spirit, eternal Comforter, our Teacher, write all that thou hast inspired upon our hearts, we beseech thee. God of Abraham, and Isaac, and Jacob, God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, be evermore our Rock, our Refuge, our Strength, our exceeding great and inexhaustible Reward. Hear us, and forgive us, and sanctify us, and save us for Jesus' sake. Our Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, As it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all, evermore. Amen.

OCCASIONAL PRAYERS.

For the Sick.

I.

Scripture Reading — Heb. xii. 11.

O Lord, teach our hearts this comforting truth. Make our present suffering truly profitable. May it bear fruit in me to thy glory and to my good, and to the benefit of thy people. May the Comforter direct and order it all, giving me patience while it lasts, and finally causing it to yield the peaceable fruits of righteousness. Thus may I taste the sweetness of thy word, and learn the faithfulness of thy promises, through Jesus Christ. Amen.

II.

Scripture Reading — Heb. xii. 6, 7.

Blessed Father, give me assurance of my adoption in Christ Jesus. Reveal thyself in the midst of this visitation to my heart as my Father. Give me the spirit of adoption. Enable me, not in words, but in truth, and from the very heart, to cry, Abba, Father. Comfort me while this affliction lasts with thy Fatherly love. Forgive, through Jesus, the sin that needs thy chastisement. Help me to feel it is paternal, not penal; and finally to praise thee for a happy issue out of it all, through Jesus Christ. Amen.

III.

SCRIPTURE READINGS — Psal. cxxvi. 5. Matt. v. 4.

BLESSED Lord, may it be my lot to reap in joy everlasting. Give me grace not to sow to the flesh but to the Spirit. May thy presence be within me. May the Comforter bring all things to my remembrance, whatsoever he has inspired or Jesus has spoken. May the blessedness of them that mourn be within my heart, and the hope also of eternal comfort. May I sorrow for sin more than for suffering. Let thy peace keep my heart evermore through Christ Jesus. Amen.

IV.

SCRIPTURE READINGS — Psalms xxv. 10; ciii. 9.

BLESSED Lord, may this thy word on which thou hast caused me to hope, be realized in my experience. May all that now afflicts me prove in the issue to have been mercy and truth. May I discover that it is good for me. Increase my confidence in thee, as my Father, my Friend, and my God. Shed down upon my heart thy love. Give me the Comforter. Bless me, and build me up in thy fear, and favour, and truth, and cause all things to work for good to me, and to them that love thee through Christ Jesus. Hear, O Lord, and let grace, mercy, and peace, from Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, be with me evermore. Amen.

V.

SCRIPTURE READINGS — Psalms xxxix. 10; xxiii. 4.

SPARE thy people, O Lord, whom thou hast redeemed, not with corruptible things, but with the precious blood of the

Lamb. Sustain me in suffering. Comfort me in sorrow. Let the everlasting arms be around me. May the rod and staff of the Son of David sustain me. If I live, may I live with thee. If I die, may I die in the Lord. Living or dying, may I be thine. Pardon every sin in thought, word, or deed, in the name of thy Son, our blessed Redeemer. Amen.

VI.

Scripture Reading — Psalm lxxxix. 32, 33.

Blessed Lord, our heavenly Father, may I faint not in thy chastisements. When the outward man perishes, let the inward man be renewed day by day. May our light affliction, which when heaviest is but for a moment, work out for us a far more exceeding, even an eternal weight of glory. May we look less at the things which are seen, and more intensely and entirely at the things which are unseen and eternal. When the earthly house of this tabernacle is dissolved, may I rejoice in the sure expectation of a building, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. Take not away thy loving-kindness, O Lord. Deal not with us after our sins, we beseech thee. Forgive, O Lord, forgive through the blood of sprinkling. Heal all our diseases. Pardon all our sins, Create in us clean hearts. Give us thy Holy Spirit. I beg these and all other mercies in Christ's name. Amen.

VII.

Scripture Readings — Job xiii. 15. Psalm cxlv. 14.

Our hope, O Lord, is in thee. Our expectation is from thee. O, keep our eyes from tears, our feet from falling, and our souls from death. Hold up my goings, O Lord. Guide me with thine eye. Subdue my heart by thy grace. Give me the unction of the Holy One. Make me a priest unto

thee. Wash me from my sins in the Saviour's blood. Make my body thy temple, and my soul thy servant, and all my affections ministers to thee and to thy will. Write thy laws, thy promises, thy hopes upon the tablets of my heart. Sweeten to me my trials. Sustain me under them. Bring me out more than conqueror from all, and fit me for thy eternal joy through Christ the Lord. Amen.

For one leaving Home for a long Period.

O Lord, be with thy servant in every place. Guide him by thy counsel. Govern him by thy Holy Spirit. Defend him from peril. Support him in difficulties, and trials, and trouble. Let the everlasting arms be around him. Be thou his shield, his refuge, his ever-present refuge. Keep his soul, O thou Shepherd of Israel. Give thine angels charge concerning him, to minister to him. Prosper him in his mission, and work, and duty. Command thy blessing upon him. In all his ways may he acknowledge thee. May thy fear be before his eyes. May he seek first thy kingdom and thy righteousness, that all other things may be added unto him. May all he does prosper. Be thou his Friend, his Guide, his Father on earth, and in eternity his exceeding great and glorious reward, through Jesus Christ. May the peace of God that passeth understanding keep his heart and mind continually through Jesus Christ, and may the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and Holy Ghost, rest and abide on him and with him evermore. Amen.

For a Dying Man.

O Lord, thy will be done. It is painful to us. It is yet thy will. Let thy servant depart in peace. Let him see thy salvation. Be near to him, and very precious in the last hour.

Pronounce in his heart thine own absolution, "Son, thy sins be forgiven thee." In the name of Jesus forgive him. May he see his sins, and flee from them to the blood of atonement. Guide him through the valley of the shadow of death. Receive him to thy bosom. Let eternal light shine upon him. Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, take away the sins of thy servant. Lord of life, be his life. Conqueror of death, receive him. King of glory, open to his soul the everlasting gates. Holy and blessed Spirit, be thou near to him in his agony. Comfort his heart. Speak peace to his conscience. Gladden the inner man with eternal joys. Let the river of life flow into his heart. For him may death have no sting, and the grave no victory.

Holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, be his portion now and ever. Save him. Sanctify him. Glorify him. Let not the pains of death disturb his soul, or shake his trust in thee.

The Lord bless him and keep him. The Lord make his face to shine on him, and be gracious to him. The Lord lift up the light of his countenance upon him, and give him peace.

Heart and flesh faint and fail. Be thou the strength of his heart and portion for ever.

O thou blessed Spirit, make intercession in the heart of thy servant with groanings that cannot be uttered. Pray for him and with him, blessed Comforter. Lord Jesus, receive his spirit. Amen.

King of saints, remember him in thy kingdom. Amen.

For a Dying Woman.

Our Father which art in heaven, show thyself to thy departing handmaid in another way than thou dost unto the world. Draw near to her, and sustain and comfort her in this her last conflict. May her soul at this moment magnify the Lord, and rejoice in God her Saviour. Regard, O Lord, the lowliness of thy handmaiden. Help her to say, My Father.

Give her more richly than ever a sweet sense of adoption. Receive her departing spirit to the general assembly of the church of the first-born whose names are in the Lamb's book of life.

Gracious Saviour, be near to her, pity her, intercede for her. Let not her faith fail. Strengthen her, O thou who didst overcome the sharpness of death, and open the kingdom of heaven to all believers. Number her with thy saints in glory everlasting.

Eternal and ever-blessed Comforter, show to her heart that she is Christ's, and Christ is hers. Remind her of sweet promises. Comfort her. Save her from pain. Let her depart in peace. May she enter into joy. Let this her last sleep be everlasting strength.

Grace, mercy, and peace, from Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, be with her. May we all soon meet again to part no more. Hear, O Father, for Jesus' sake. Amen.

For Surviving Relatives.

Scripture Readings — Psalm xxxix. John xiv. Rev. vii. 14–17.

The Lord gave, and the Lord hath taken away. O, help us to say, Blessed be the name of the Lord. We thank thee for this word, "Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints." We thank thee that we know that the righteous is taken away from the evil to come; that they enter into peace, and rest in their beds, each one walking in his uprightness. Gracious God, enable us to feel, It is well, and to add, from the very heart, Thy will be done. May we hear in the depths of our hearts the voice from heaven, saying, Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from henceforth. Why art thou cast down, O my soul, and why art thou disquieted within me. Hope in God, for I shall yet praise him, who is the health of my countenance and my God. We bless thee

we are not ignorant concerning them that are asleep, and that we do not sorrow as others which have no hope. We believe that Jesus died and rose again, and that them that sleep in Jesus will God bring with him. We indulge the blessed hope that the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God, and that our dead in Christ shall rise first, and that we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air; and so shall we ever be with the Lord. We would be comforted ourselves and comfort one another with these words.

Blessed Lord, may we see thy wisdom, and love, and fatherly goodness, in what pains and grieves us. Say to our hearts, "Be still, it is I." Subdue every feeling of resistance within us. Take away every suspicion of thy love and goodness. Having a new attraction in heaven, may we have fewer and feebler sympathies with earth. Make up to us this painful loss, by thyself filling the desolation we feel. Help us to have our hearts and treasure more entirely in heaven.

We beg every comfort, and blessing, and mercy, and pardon, and peace, through Jesus Christ; in whose name and words we sum up our petitions, saying, Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, As it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, The power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

At Baptism of a Child.

We dedicate our child to thee, O Father of mercy, in the name of Jesus. Give our babe that baptism which man cannot give or withhold; even the baptism and renewing of thy Holy Spirit. Regenerate the heart and renew the nature of the

babe thou hast given us, whom we offer unto thee, to be made thine by adopting love, and like thee by thy renewing Spirit. Preserve this infant in health; a blessing to us and all connected with us. Make us examples in word and life. May we train up this child after the example of Him who has said, "Suffer little children to come unto me, and forbid them not, for of such is the kingdom of heaven. May our house be a nursery for heaven, a school for Christ, a ministry to souls. Give us a deep sense of responsibility. Endue us richly with thy grace. Teach us, Great Teacher. Command thy blessing upon us. Save us from all evil, and prosper us with thy blessing. Let the peace of God keep our hearts and minds continually. Give us daily bread. Feed us and ours with food convenient for us. Give us living bread. Give us grace to train up our children in the way wherein they ought to go.

United in Christ on earth, may we live with him in glory. All we ask is for Jesus' sake. Amen.

Before the Communion.

Scripture Readings — Psalm li. John xix. 16–37. 1 Cor. xi. 23–34.

Heavenly Father! my God and my Father! search me, and know my heart; try me, and know my thoughts; and see if there be any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting. Examine me, O Lord, and prove me; try my reins and my heart. Hear my prayer, O Lord, give ear to my supplications; in thy faithfulness answer me, and in thy righteousness; and enter not into judgment with thy servant, for in thy sight shall no man living be justified.

Trusting with my whole heart in the finished sacrifice of my Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, and believing thy love to me

in and by him, I would draw near to the communion table, or rather to my Saviour at it, and publicly confess his name, as my hope; his cross, as my glory; and his death and meritorious sacrifice, as my life, and the foundation of all my joys and prospects for ever. I desire at thy holy table to partake, in yet greater assurance, of the body and blood of my Saviour —that is, of the most excellent blessings that are the purchase of that precious victim. Especially do I desire to offer myself —soul, and body, and spirit—on Christ, the only altar, a spiritual sacrifice to thee, which is my reasonable service. I would also, at that place of thanksgiving — of retrospect and prospect—of remembered blessings given by thee, and hoped-for joys promised by thee — praise, and thank, and magnify thee, with all my heart and soul and strength. Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name. Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits. Thou forgivest all mine iniquities. Thou healest all my diseases. Thou redeemest my life from destruction. Thou crownest me with loving-kindness and tender mercies. Thou satisfiest my mouth with good things. Thou hast not dealt with me after my sins. Thou hast been to me merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and plenteous in mercy. As a father pitieth his children, so hast thou pitied me.

My Lord and Saviour! Prince of Life! Lamb of God! I bless thee, and praise and thank thee, that thou didst not abhor the Virgin's womb; that when thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death, thou didst open the kingdom of heaven to all believers. I thank thee that thou didst give life where death had gotten the victory; that thou givest pardon to them who have sinned so long and so grievously against thee. I bless thee for thine infinite love—thy voluntary suffering, and sorrows, and affliction, and passion, and death for me. I praise and thank thee for thy resurrection from the dead; thy glorious ascension; thine unceasing and all-sufficient intercession for me in the true holy place; for thy promise to come again; for a church, and ministry, and ordinances in the midst

of us; for the holy ordinance of the supper, and for this opportunity of participating of it. I thank thee that thou tookest to thyself as thy part all the pain and agony, and hast bequeathed to me as my privilege all the pleasure. Thine was the pain, and thine alone is the glory of the sacrifice. Mine, in thee and from thee, is the pleasure of the feast upon the sacrifice. Lord, fill my soul with adoring gratitude; with lively faith; with joy unspeakable; with deep purposes of devotedness to thee; with earnest desires and resolutions to honour, and confess, and magnify thee in the world. May I never be ashamed of thee. May I count all but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of thee. May I delight to make known thy will to all who are ignorant of it, and to spread thy glorious gospel from sea to sea, and to spend and be spent to lead all within reach of my means, or influence, to the knowledge of thee.

Renew my heart day by day; subdue within it the power, and destroy the life of sin. Replenish my heart with thy love, and my understanding with heavenly light. Raise my affections to thyself. Purify me with thy Holy Spirit. Deliver me from all evil — from prejudice, evil passion, envy, ill-will, malice, and all uncharitableness. Remove from me the lust of the eye, the lust of the flesh, and the pride of life. Make my heart a temple for thy dwelling; and, wherever thy providence may place me, may I seek grace to serve thee, as I fully purpose to glorify and honour thee, and confess thy name, and do thy will.

Perfect thy strength in my weakness. Guide me with thy counsel. Hold me by thy right hand, and when heart and flesh faint and fail, be the strength of my heart and my portion for ever.

I go forward in thy strength, O God, my Father in heaven.

I clothe myself in thy righteousness, and wash my hands in thy innocency, O Son of God.

I look for thy grace, and comfort, and inspiration, and joy, and peace, Eternal and ever-blessed Spirit.

O God of the saints in glory and the saints on earth — one church — be my shield and fortress, and high tower, and present and eternal rest.

In the name of the only Saviour I pray and beg for all.

Our Father, which art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation: but deliver us from evil: for thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

After the Communion.

Scripture Readings — Psalm cxvi. Rom. xii.

O Lord, I thank thee for the mercies and privileges of a communion day; for its peace and joy. May the truths I have heard—the impressions I have felt—the blessings I have reaped—abide in my soul through life.

Leaning on thee, I go forth into the world, beseeching thee to strengthen, uphold, and keep me in the way of life.

May the precious blood of the Lamb of God be still my only trust, as it is the only atonement. May the righteousness of him who was made sin for us be my righteousness still. May I ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which thou hast given me in Christ Jesus. May I run with fresh joy and renewed strength the race set before me, looking to Jesus the author and finisher of my faith.

May thy Holy Spirit help me to abhor that which is evil, and to cleave to that which is good. May I be kindly affectioned to others with brotherly love, in honour preferring others. May I not be slothful in business. May I be fervent in

spirit; serving the Lord; rejoicing in hope; patient in tribulation; distributing to the necessity of saints; given to hospitality. May I bless them which persecute me; may I bless and curse not. May I rejoice with them that do rejoice, and weep with them that weep. May my light so shine before men, that they, seeing my good works, may glorify thee my Father in heaven. May I never be the unhappy occasion of any one dishonouring my Lord, or of obstructing the spread of the glorious gospel.

May the peace that passeth understanding keep my mind and heart in the love and knowledge of Christ Jesus. Deliver me from all evil, O Lord.

May grace, and mercy, and peace, from Father, Son, and Holy Ghost — one God — be with me and abide with me for ever. May goodness and mercy follow me all the days of my life, and may I dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

In the name of Jesus I beg for these, and yet greater and richer blessings. Amen.

Unto Him that is able to keep me from falling, and to present me faultless before the presence of his glory with exceeding joy—to the only wise God our Saviour, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, both now and ever. Amen.

The God of peace, that brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make me perfect in every good work to do his will, working in me that which is well-pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ; to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

A general Prayer, or Litany,

FOR ALL TIMES, PLACES, AND CIRCUMSTANCES.

FATHER, Son, and Holy Spirit — one God, and our God — have mercy upon us, and bless us, for we are poor, and miserable, and blind, and naked. Oh! remember not, Lord, our offences, nor the offences of our forefathers, neither take thou vengeance of our sins. Spare us, good Lord; spare thy people, redeemed with precious blood, and be not angry with us for ever.

From all evil and mischief; from sin, from the crafts and assaults of the devil; from thy wrath, and from everlasting condemnation, O Lord, deliver us. From all blindness of heart; from pride, vain-glory, and hypocrisy; from envy, hatred, and malice, and all uncharitableness, good Lord, deliver us.

From lightning and tempest; from plague, pestilence, and famine; from battle and murder, and sudden death, O Lord, deliver us.

From fornication, and all other deadly sin; and from all the deceits of the world, the flesh, and the devil, blessed Lord, deliver us.

From all sedition, privy conspiracy, and rebellion; from all false doctrine, heresy, and schism; from hardness of heart, and contempt of thy word and commandment, O Lord, deliver us.

May it please thee to illuminate all bishops, curates, pastors, ministers, and teachers, of every name, with true knowledge and understanding of thy word; and that both by their preaching and living they may set it forth, and show it accordingly. Bless and keep all thy people. Give to all nations unity, peace, and concord. May it please thee to give us an heart to love and dread thee, and diligently to live after thy commandments. Give to all thy people increase of grace to hear

meekly thy word, and to receive it with pure affection, and to bring forth the fruits of the Spirit. May it please thee to bring into the way of truth all such as have erred and are deceived. May it please thee to strengthen such as do stand; and to comfort and help the weak-hearted; and to raise up them that fall; and finally to beat down Satan under our feet. May it please thee to succour, help, and comfort, all that are in danger, necessity, and tribulation. Preserve all that travel by land or by water, all women labouring of child, all sick persons, and young children; and show thy pity upon all prisoners and captives. May it please thee to defend, and provide for, the fatherless children, and widows, and all that are desolate and oppressed. May it please thee to have mercy upon all men. Forgive our enemies, persecutors, and slanderers, and turn their hearts. May it please thee to give and preserve to our use the kindly fruits of the earth, so as in due time we may enjoy them. Forgive us all our sins, negligences, and ignorances, and endue us with the grace of thy Holy Spirit, to amend our lives according to thy word.

We humbly beseech thee, O Father, mercifully to look upon our infirmities, and for the glory of thy name turn from us all those evils that we most righteously have deserved; and grant, that in all our troubles we may put our whole trust and confidence in thy mercy, and evermore serve thee in holiness and pureness of living, to thy honour and glory, through our only Mediator and Advocate, Jesus Christ our Lord, in whose name and words we close our petitions at this time.

Our Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, As it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all, evermore. Amen.

FOR TRAVELLERS BY SEA.

Morning Prayer.

Scripture Reading — Psalm cvii. 1–31.

O Lord our heavenly Father, we give thanks unto thee this morning, for thy mercy endureth for ever. Thou rulest the raging of the sea, and when the waves thereof arise, thou stillest them again. We bless thee for our preservation and protection during the night that has passed away. We bless thee that on the desert sea thy protecting presence has been with us, and thy overshadowing wings over and around us. We pray that it may please thee to be with us and all in the ship this day, and by thy power, and in thy great mercy, carry us in safety across the deep. Send favourable weather, we beseech thee. Give skill and wisdom to those to whom the care of this our temporary house is intrusted. We feel our dependence on thee. Our hearts trust in thee. Our souls look to thee, O God, as children to our Father. Save us out of every distress, and we will praise thee for thy goodness and wonderful works, and sacrifice to thee, through Jesus Christ, sacrifices of thanksgiving.

Make the storm a calm. Let the waves be still. Make us glad because they are quiet. Bring us to our desired haven. Give us grace there to praise thee for thy goodness, and for thy wonderful works to the children of men. O gracious God, forgive us those sins which are the sources of creation's disquiet. Blot them out in the blood of Jesus. Help us to glorify thee, to live to thee, to delight to do thy will.

Give us thy Holy Spirit, that we may crucify every evil appetite, passion, and desire. Prosper us in our callings. Make us humble, meek, peacemakers, merciful, and holy, and

just. May all they that go down to the sea in ships, and do business in great waters, see not only thy work and wonders in the deep, but thy salvation also in Christ Jesus. May our sailors be converted unto thee, and all the ends of the earth enjoy thy saving health. Bless all we have left behind us. Preserve us to thy kingdom. All we beg is for Jesus' sake. Amen.

Evening Prayer.

SCRIPTURE READINGS —John vi. 16–20. Acts xxvii. 18–44.

BLESSED Lord, we close this day as we commenced it, by praising and blessing thee. We thank thee that thou hast brought us in safety to its close. We thank thee for thy watchful care, for bread, for comparative health, for all the mercies of the past and present, and promised future. Blessed Jesus, during the watches of the night walk thou upon the sea. Watch over us thy people. Come, thou Lord of life, into our ship, and carry thou it and all therein to the land whither we desire to go. May we hear thy voice in every storm — "It is I, be not afraid." May we hear thy voice in our hearts, saying, "Thy sins be forgiven thee." O feed us with everlasting bread, thou Bread of Life.

Heavenly Father, grant us everlasting life. May we be found in the true ark, saved and sheltered, and sure of resting on its eternal and joyous Ararat.

May none in this ship perish eternally. May all reach the heavenly shore.

Pardon our sins in the name of Jesus. Wash our sins away in his blood. Sanctify our hearts by thy Holy Spirit. Let the peace that passeth understanding keep our hearts. Bless all near and dear to us. Help us to feel we are all strangers and pilgrims, and voyagers. Preserve us this night. Be thou our unwearied watch. Hear us through Jesus Christ, in whose name and words we sum up our prayer.

Our Father, which art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil: for thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all, evermore. Amen.

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